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The Voters' Opportunity

It is to be hoped that by now no confusion exists as to who is qualified to vote at the Urban Council election and what action is necessary to be taken to appear on the electoral roll. The suggestion that every voter had to make specific application to the Registrar in order to be franchised was stupidly misleading, but in order to remove any misconception which may remain in some minds, we repeat the conditions for entitlement to vote. Everybody whose name appeared on the last published lists of common and special jurors may vote, and they have nothing to do except wait until polling day when they will be instructed on voting procedure. Anybody possessing qualifications for jury service, but who have not previously registered for inclusion in the jury lists, may so register immediately and become eligible to vote. Anybody within categories which carry exemption from jury service must apply to be placed on the electoral roll not later than Thursday of this week and they too will then be entitled to a vote.

A NUMBER of candidates have made clear to the electorate their respective platforms. Naturally enough they follow a similar pattern. Voters will note with some interest that a desire is expressed to have the functions of the Urban Council widened. The proposition is not without a certain appeal and suggests itself as a field for lively debate. It is not to be forgotten, however, that voters are required to elect candidates to two vacancies to an Urban Council whose duties are already well defined and long established. Reconstitution and reform of that body may appear desirable and could well prove beneficial, but it can hardly be regarded as an immediate necessity. What is important is that everybody who is qualified to vote on May 30 should exercise the privilege. A substantial poll will have important effects, not the least being that it will demonstrate the public's capacity for sharing directly in municipal affairs. This is the first practical opportunity the Colony has had to show Whitehall that it is genuinely interested in the franchise.

Deplorable Incident

THE affair at Kojé Island was deplorable from every point of view. While there is room for sympathy for Brigadier Dodd in the undignified experience he suffered, it would appear that he has himself largely to blame for the kidnapping incident. It was well known that the POWs on the island were rabid Communists, willing enough to attempt anything to create disturbances and disorder. It can hardly be claimed that Brigadier Dodd took every precaution against any incident. It is of some consolation that the affair ended without bloodshed, but it cannot be denied that it has afforded the Communists a ready-made pretext for delaying any positive reply to the United Nations three-point armistice proposals at Panmunjom. In fact, it can be expected that the Reds will make no effort to discuss truce conditions until they have succeeded in the last drop of propaganda from the Kojé Island incident.

5 BURIED ALIVE IN SHAFT

Stockholm, May 12. Four men and a boy of 16 were buried alive when the walls of a nine-foot deep shaft near Uddevalla, in west Sweden, caved in today.

Three men and the boy were killed, but rescue workers were trying to release the other man.

Foster Dulles Criticises U.S. Aid Programmes

Purchase Tax Cut

London, May 12. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Richard Butler, tonight announced a 217,000,000 a year cut in the Purchase (Sales) tax on textile goods to help the British textile industry which has 100,000 unemployed.

"I hope this will help to reduce the cost of living," Mr Butler told the House of Commons.

The cut in the tax—which is by a quarter—comes into effect on Wednesday.—Reuter.

Singapore Postmen Strike

Singapore, May 13. About 500 postmen and telegraph messengers began their threatened strike today after failure of the Government's move yesterday to avert a stoppage.

The Government yesterday sent a letter to the Post and Telegraph Union offering certain concessions and asking the Union to call off the strike.

A spokesman of the Union said the points raised by the Government in the letter were not the main issue of the dispute.

Mr W. A. Cooper, Director of Posts in Singapore, giving the Government's version of the strike, said last night the Government had made every effort to reach a settlement, but unfortunately, although the Government accepted some of the Union's claims, it persisted in strike action.

UNION'S CLAIM

In general, he said, the Union's claim is that, grade for grade, post and telecommunication workers in Singapore should receive higher pay than those similarly employed in the Federation, and the Singapore Government had been able to accept this as a general principle.

According to Mr Lee Kuan Yew, the Union's official negotiator and legal adviser, the men are striking for a revised salary scale, back pay and pension rights.

The Union has ordered 50 members to picket every post office in the land, while other members were told to stay at home or at the Union's office.

This is the first strike in the Colony by a Government trade union since the emergency began in June 1948.

Meanwhile, the Singapore Traction Company Employees Union will hold an emergency meeting today to vote on a suggestion to stay away from work tomorrow.

The action is proposed in protest against the arrest of two S.T.C. bus conductors, who were charged with criminal breach of trust in the first police court recently. Their cases will come up for mention tomorrow.—Reuter.

Three Lionesses Escape

Klerksdorp, Transvaal, May 12. Three lionesses escaped from their cages on a train between Potchefstroom and Klerksdorp today.

One arrived here lying on top of her cage in the railway truck and was coaxed back into captivity. Another was recaptured after she had sent a gang of African labourers running for high trees.

The third attacked a cow in a sales pen here and was shot after the local populace had taken refuge in their houses.

The lionesses were part of a travelling fair.—Reuter.

"BANKRUPTING PROCESS"

New York, May 12. Mr John Foster Dulles said tonight that the nation's defence and foreign aid programmes were a failure and that continuing the present methods of defence would drive the world bankrupt.

The former Republican State Department adviser said the only defence "at a bearable cost" would be the "organisation of a striking power to halt any aggressor where it hurts if he should commit himself to open armed aggression anywhere."

Mr Dulles also charged the Administration with trying to frighten the Americans with "what are represented to be a series of crises" and he called for "year in and year out" defence effort with a balanced budget and lower taxes.

He spoke at a dinner of the National Conference of Christians and Jews at Waldorf Astoria Hotel where he received the group's national gold award.

He said, "We have given away in one way or another about \$40,000,000,000 since 1945. If money could buy security and happiness we should have them. Yet we have them not. Today we are insecure; we have less goodwill than ever before in our history."

Dwight Eisenhower praised General Dulles for his work in the North Atlantic defence and General Douglas MacArthur's occupation policies in Japan, saying they alone made it possible to start the Pacific security system.

But he warned that the "regional" parts we have made are piecemeal efforts which are useful but which standing alone are totally inadequate.

He said the Western European defence would have important consequences, but that virtually unended was "20,000-mile frontier of freedom" in Asia which he said cannot be defended by methods available to Western Europe.

STRIKING POWER

Mr Dulles said, "The Asian countries have neither military tradition, industrial capacity or financial resources for such defence."

"The total cost of completing the programme for Western Europe must be calculated in terms of hundreds of billions of dollars and to multiply that 25 times would be a bankrupting process which would expose all peace-loving governments to internal revolt," he said. He then proposed creating a "striking power to hit an aggressor where it hurts."

Mr Dulles said Gen. MacArthur's occupation policies started the Japanese on a new way of life. He said that alone made possible peace between Japan and 48 world allies and to start the Pacific security system in which Japan would play a responsible role.

He said, "The May Day rioting by a few Communists, largely of North Korean origin, in no way proves that trust and confidence in Japan are misplaced."

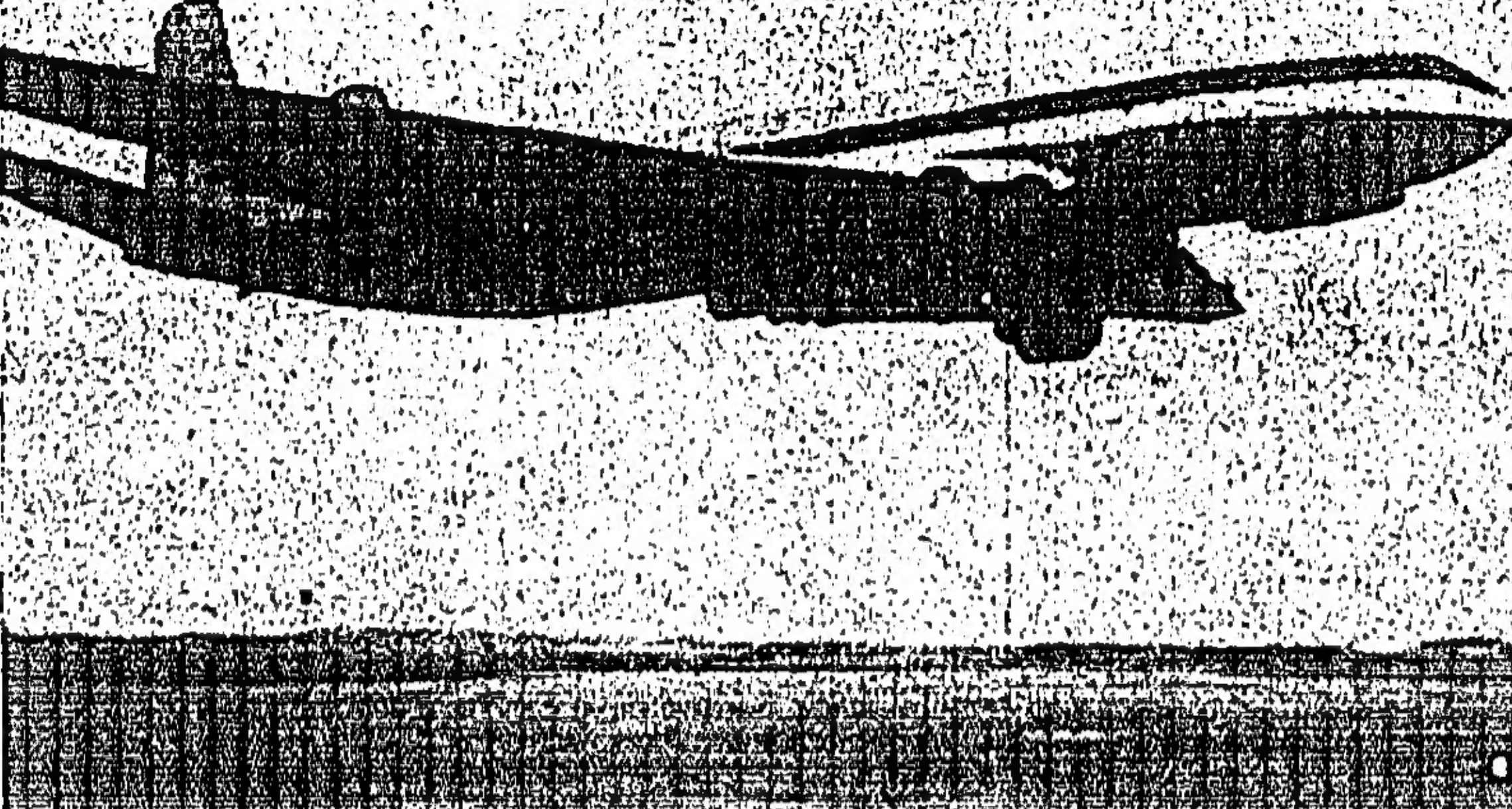
He said the 20,000-mile frontier of freedom extends from North Cape in Europe to near Alaska in Asia and that the American "destiny is inextricably linked with these still free areas... We must invent ways to defend the entire frontier of freedom because small parts of the free world are not themselves defensible if the rest should fall."

Later in the speech, Mr Dulles said, "I have just come from France where we talked of the camel burden which France is carrying in Indo-China. France is being bled not only materially but in the sacrifice of the flower of her youth... It is tragic that there is so little sympathetic understanding in the United States of what France is doing for the common cause."

REE'S WARNING

Washington, May 12. General Dwight Eisenhower said today that further cuts in the US\$40,000,000,000 foreign aid programme would be profoundly discouraging to America's friends and encouraging to its potential foes.

General Eisenhower cabled his answer to a question by the chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, Mr Richard Russell, who asked the General



With a roar the Comet airliner left London Airport last week on her inaugural flight to Johannesburg, South Africa, a distance of 6,724 miles, and so introduced the world's first jet airliner passenger service.—London Express.

TERRORIST DEFINED

Singapore, May 12. Five definitions of a terrorist are contained in important additions to the Singapore Emergency Regulations which have been gazetted.

According to the definitions, a terrorist is any person who:

- 1.—By use of any firearm, explosive or ammunition acts in a manner prejudicial to the public safety or to the maintenance of public order.
- 2.—Incites to violence or counsels disobedience to the law or to any lawful order by the use of any firearm, explosive or ammunition.
- 3.—Carries or has in his possession or under his control any firearm without lawful authority.
- 4.—Carries or has in his possession or under his control any ammunition or explosive without lawful authority.
- 5.—Demands, collects or receives any supplies for the use of any person who intends, or is about to act, or has recently acted, in a manner prejudicial to public safety or to the maintenance of public order.—Reuter.

Labour Claims 1,702 Gains

London, May 12. Socialists tonight claimed a net gain of 1,702 seats and capture of control of 64 Councils in Britain's local government elections, which end on Tuesday.

Voting on Tuesday for the Scottish County and District Councils will end the local contests—which involved 30,000 seats voted by a 34,000,000 electorate.

Labour has recovered many of the losses suffered in the 1949 local elections, but Socialists say their successes in the local elections were due to the unpopularity of austerity steps taken by Mr Winston Churchill's Conservative Government to meet Britain's economic crisis.—Reuter.

Tunis Mob Throw Grenades

Tunis, May 12. Grenade-throwing Arab nationalists today attacked Premier Salah Eddine Baccouche's house, following a weekend wave of violence which took at least a dozen victims.

An outbreak in front of Mr Baccouche's residence was broken up by club-swinging police and the retreating assailants tossed three grenades as they fled. Two persons were sent to hospital and an unknown number received lighter injuries.

Earlier, in the Tunis suburb of La Guallette, a woman was killed and two children seriously wounded when terrorists bombed a French policeman's house.—United Press.

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Trieste Agreement Defended

Eden's Statement

London, May 12. The new administrative arrangements in the Anglo-American zone of Trieste were designed to give greater practical recognition to the predominantly Italian character of the zone (Zone "A"), Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, declared in the House of Commons today.

After giving details of the agreement reached last week between Britain, the United States and Italy, Mr Eden said, "I may say here that even before the talks took place, the Italians were in fact already handling many administrative functions inside the Allied Military Government."

There was nothing in the new arrangements which would impair the ability or the intention of Britain and the United States to carry out their responsibilities in the zone.

Mr Eden continued, "The British and United States Governments have throughout had in mind the natural Yugoslav interest in the outcome of these talks. While it has not been possible to keep the Yugoslav Government informed of all the stages in the long and complicated negotiations—they lasted nearly six weeks and involved a detailed examination of all aspects of the existing structure of the Government in the zone—contact has been maintained both in London and Belgrade."

FULL INFORMATION

Mr Eden said that the limited scope of the talks was repeatedly explained to the Yugoslav Government.

"On May 9 I gave the Yugoslav Ambassador full information in advance of the agreements reached and I handed him advance copies of the memorandum of understanding and of the communiqué," Mr Eden said.

"Similar action was taken by the British Ambassador in Belgrade," Mr Eden added.

The former Labour Foreign Minister, Mr Herbert Morrison, said that many of the Labour opposition were genuinely worried about the effect of these discussions on Yugoslavia and upon the future relationship between Yugoslavia, Italy and Britain.

"Is it not clear that Yugoslavia was not given substantial information until round about Friday or Saturday—until the end of the discussion?" Mr Morrison asked, and would Mr Eden try to do something to bring both Yugoslavia and Italy into direct consultation?—Reuter.

US Oil Strike Has Crippling Effects

Denver, May 12.

The crippling effects of the nation-wide strike of 90,000 oil workers reached from Finland to Honolulu today as the 13-day oil walkout continued to shut off fuel supplies.

However, ratification of a wage pact between Standard Oil of California and 20 locals of the Independent Union of Petroleum Workers was announced on Sunday.

The agreement, approved by a 66 per cent majority of 5,000 West coast oil workers, called for an average 18½ cent hourly wage increase.

The fact, however, had no effect on the nation-wide strike by a coalition of 22 CIO, AFL and independent unions.

Mr O. A. Knight, President of the Oil Workers' International Union, said in Denver when the agreement was originally announced last week that the pact was between non-members of the coalition and that it would not change the strike picture.

The California union has not been on strike.

The strike threatened to cut into the non-Communist nation's fuel supplies because the United States sends gasoline to more than half the world market.

AIRLINES HIT

The strike also hit commercial airlines which have grounded a number of domestic and foreign flights and the military was using its fuel supplies only for essential operations.

Some motorists and service stations were finding that there was not enough gas to go around, especially in the East and Mid-West. But the main pinch was in the supply of aviation fuel.

On the East coast the air service from Idlewild International Airport at New York was also hit. No United States to Europe flights from Idlewild were cancelled but some supersonic flights were expected in several days' time. Most planes were leaving the airport with a minimum of fuel and were fuelling at stops between New York and European cities.

The United States and Great Britain on Saturday joined in calling on all free nations to take cuts in the use of aviation fuel.

Finland was one of the first of the non-Communist nations to respond to the reduction appeal. Several air routes were discontinued temporarily and officials said that the nation would have to cut about 50 per cent of its aviation fuel consumption because heavy traffic was expected during the Summer.

The Canadian Air Transport Board suspended all private flying and warned airlines that services would be suspended if they failed to comply with the cut-back order.

Britain had ordered a 30 per cent cut in the use of aviation fuel last week.

Twelve British European Airways flights from France, Holland, Western Germany and Italy were suspended today due to the fuel shortage caused by the oil strike in the United States.—United Press.

Socialists Indicted

Cairo, May 12.

Indictments today charged the Socialist leader, Ahmed Hussein, and five other Socialists with inciting the Cairo riots of January 28 and demanding the death penalty for all.

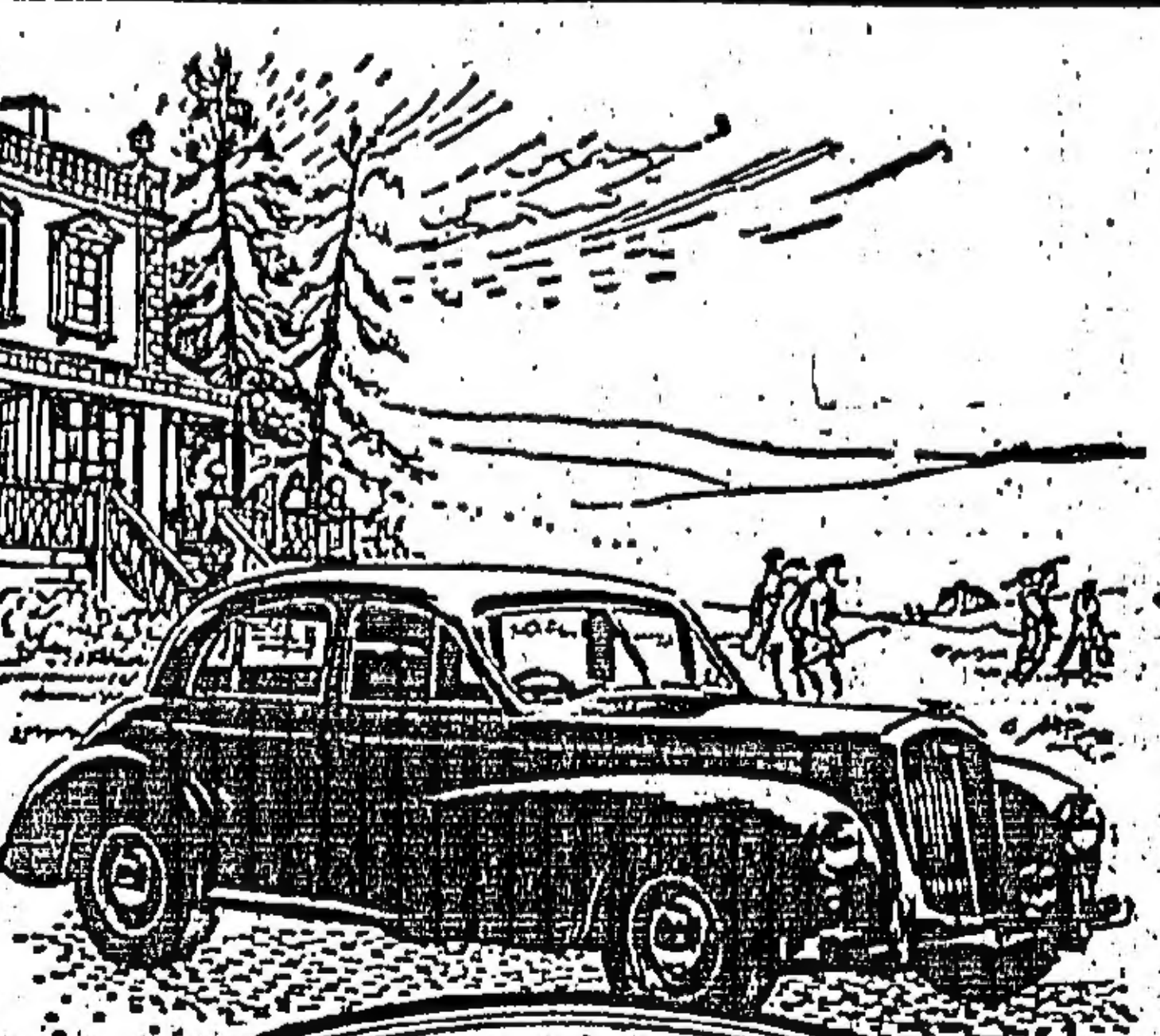
The Attorney General, Abdel Rehim Ghoneim Bey, handed down the indictments.

Five other defendants will be tried in the Supreme Military Court in Cairo on May 18. The 41-year-old Socialist leader was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment on March 17 on three counts of lese majeste, but he appealed and the Court has not yet passed its final ruling.—United Press.

SHELLS EXPLODE

Belgrade, May 12.

Six workmen were killed in the Bosnian town of Zenica when world war two shells, being salvaged, exploded, the Yugoslav news agency Tanjug reported tonight.—Reuter.



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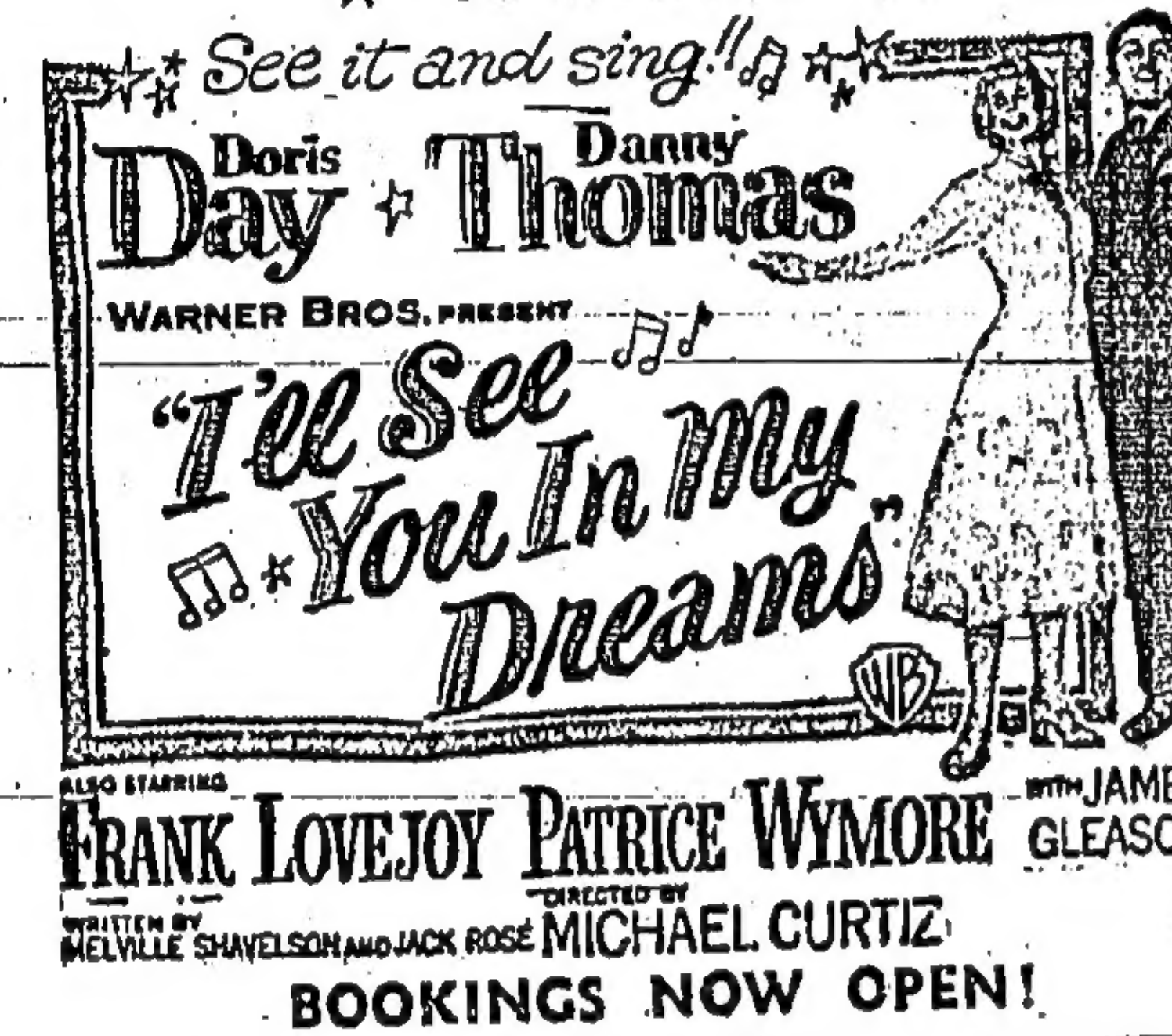
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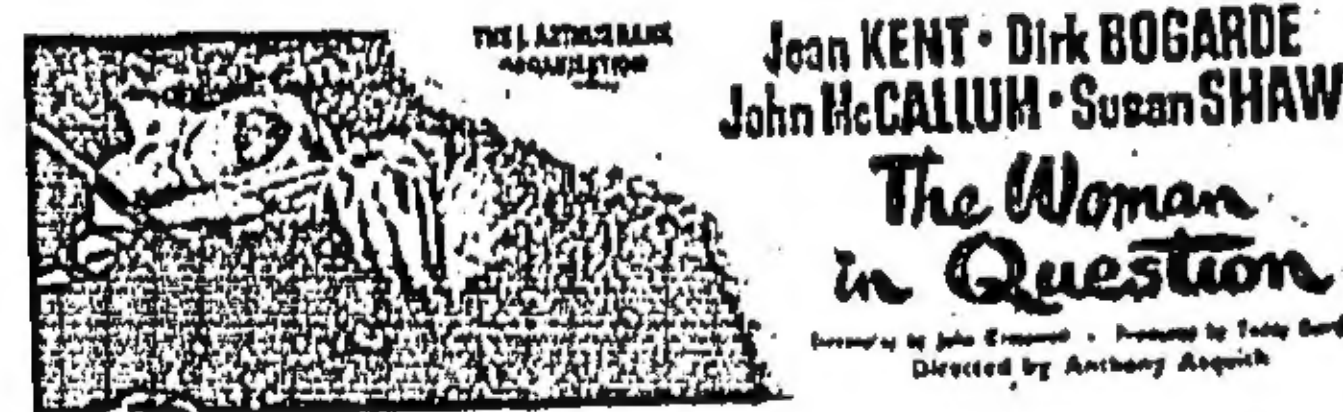
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President Auriol of France snapped in a moment of obvious enjoyment as he watched the French Cup Final in Paris recently.—Express photo.

Jap Judges In London Court

London, May 12.
Three Japanese judges sat in a British High Court today — as guests of the Queen's Justices.
The three judges, Makoto Iwata, Kazuo Ishita and Kōzō Sekai, all of the High Court of Tokyo, are spending a month in Britain at the Government's invitation to study the legal system.—Associated Press.

Peking's Latest On Germ Warfare

New Delhi, May 12.
Mr. Liu Chen-chi, Vice-Chairman of the Chinese investigation Commission into alleged germ warfare in Korea, said the Chinese People's Republic would welcome any independent investigation, according to a Press Trust of India report from Peking.

Speaking at a Press preview of a germ warfare exhibition opened in Peking yesterday by the China Peace Council, Mr. Liu Chen-chi said China would welcome an independent investigation just as it "welcomes that of the Peace Council Commission."

But he laid down two requisites for any such independent investigation. "It must be fair, just and unbiased, and must not seek to fish out any information which may affect military secrets to give to the enemy," he said.

Declaring that "germ warfare is a fact," Mr. Liu said: "The United States still continues it."

The Press Trust of India report added that the Peking exhibition included recorded statements of two captured American airmen, whose names were given as Enoch and Quinn.—Reuters.

New Members Of WHO

Geneva, May 12.
The United Nations World Health Organisation's annual assembly today unanimously elected Tunisia and French Morocco as associate members of the WHO.

Dr. Mohamed Gachem, Tunisian Minister of Public Health, said that his Government wished to be incorporated into the European regional section of the WHO.

Dr. Mohamed Nasif Bey, the Egyptian delegate, told the Assembly that this question should not be discussed at this time, however, and that it should be referred to the Assembly's Legal Committee first.
Egypt belongs to the WHO's Eastern Mediterranean regional branch.—United Press.

New Stage Reached In US Armed Aid To Western Europe

Washington, May 12.

The House Foreign Affairs Committee said today that under the Mutual Security Programme "1952 and 1953 will be years in which large quantities of combat equipment will go into the hands of the forces being made combat-ready under General Eisenhower's command."

The Committee, reporting on the extension of the programme, contrasted this outlook with the calendar year 1951 during which, it said, "equipment provided by the United States served mainly to meet the training requirements of the forces brought into being during that year and to get certain critical deficiencies or replace certain of the obsolete equipment of the troops in being."

It said: "The programme provides for giving the physical demands of European rearmament on the resources and factories of the United States by having the United States finance the procurement of \$1,000,000,000 of military aid items in Europe during the fiscal year 1953. Contracts will be placed only for amounts and types of items falling within the calculated requirements of European defence and in that respect will not differ from the aid items supplied physically from the United States."

It said that particular emphasis would be given, however, to logistic considerations. For example, the production of ammunition and spare parts in Europe would be given special encouragement under the off-shore procurement programme because of the obvious necessity for close sources of supply of these items.

The Committee commented: "It is necessary for the United States to supply military aid items also because recipient nations are not able to pay for

AUSTRIAN PLEA

Meanwhile Chancellor Leopold Figl of Austria has come to America to warn that foreign aid cuts might hurt his country's bold effort to build democracy under the gun barrels of Russian occupation troops.
The Chancellor and his wife arrived in New York yesterday and hurried on to Washington at 1 p.m. today to receive a warm official welcome from the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson.

Dr. Figl is assured of a chance to plead his case in a personal conference with President Truman and in talks with Mr. Acheson, the foreign aid chief. Mr. Averell Harriman, and Congressional leaders during his three-day stay in the capital.
The famed anti-Nazi, who is making his first United States visit since he was named to head his Government seven years ago, plans to discuss the dwindling chances of a Soviet agreement on an Austrian peace treaty.

But his main concern, informed sources said, is the Congressional move to slash the Foreign Aid Bill.

Austria fears that severe cuts would damage its economic recovery progress and strengthen the hand of the Communists.—United Press.

Limit On Air Aid Proposed

Washington, May 12.
Republican Senator William Knowland today proposed that America limit shipments of jet planes to her allies to 10 per cent of production until her own air force was fully equipped with jets.
He made the proposal as an amendment to the Foreign Aid Bill before the Senate Armed Services Committee.

The Committee postponed action on the proposal until Tuesday to hear the views of military air experts.
Senator Knowland declined to say whether it was proposed under the Mutual Assistance Programme, to send over 10 per cent of American jet production to other nations. He said this was secret information but commented: "You can draw your own conclusions from my amendment."—Reuters.

all of the equipment their forces require."

The report said, "It should be emphasised that the United States is not the sole supplier of weapons and vehicles to foreign nations. In addition to financing the pay, maintenance, clothing and housing of troops, European countries supplied themselves with over \$2,000,000,000 of military hardware in the fiscal year 1952. It is estimated that in the fiscal year 1953 European military production will exceed \$3,000,000,000. NATO countries as a whole produce 40 to 50 per cent of the equipment for their divisions."

AUSTERITY BASIS

The section of the report concerned with off-shore procurement concluded by elaborating the following criteria to be met before any military equipment is sent to a foreign nation:

1.—Equipment for North Atlantic Treaty members will be provided only for those forces required by the operation of the defence plan and accepted by

BRITAIN'S PACT WITH PORTUGAL

London, May 12.
Mr. Anthony Nutting, Foreign Under-Secretary, was asked in the House of Commons today what revisions had been made in the Anglo-Portuguese treaty of 1937.

He replied, amid cheers, that it had never been revised. It had been confirmed in later treaties on a number of occasions. The treaty was couched in general terms, the two partners undertaking to give one another mutual assistance.

Mr. John Rankin (Labour) who had raised the matter, said that the only copy of the treaty available to members was written in language no longer commonly understood. Should not the treaty be brought up to date and could the Minister give some idea of its commitments?

Mr. Nutting answered by reading the following extract from the treaty: "As true and faithful friends the contracting parties shall henceforth be friends to friends and enemies to enemies and shall assist, maintain and uphold each other mutually by sea and land against all men who may live or die, and of whatever dignity."—Reuters.

Close Poll In Panama

Panama City, May 12.
Panama, which went to the polls yesterday, will not know who is to be the new President for weeks.

It is known that the result must be close and it was learned today that it will only be announced after a series of recounts, which will take many weeks to carry out.

Colonel Jose Antonio Remon, candidate of the National Patriotic Coalition, had the support of the Government. The other candidate, Roberto Francisco Chirri, is supported by a five-party coalition.

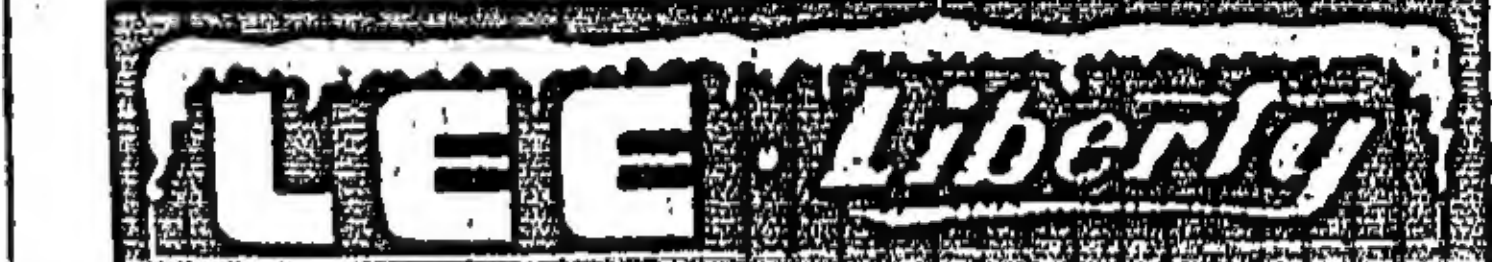
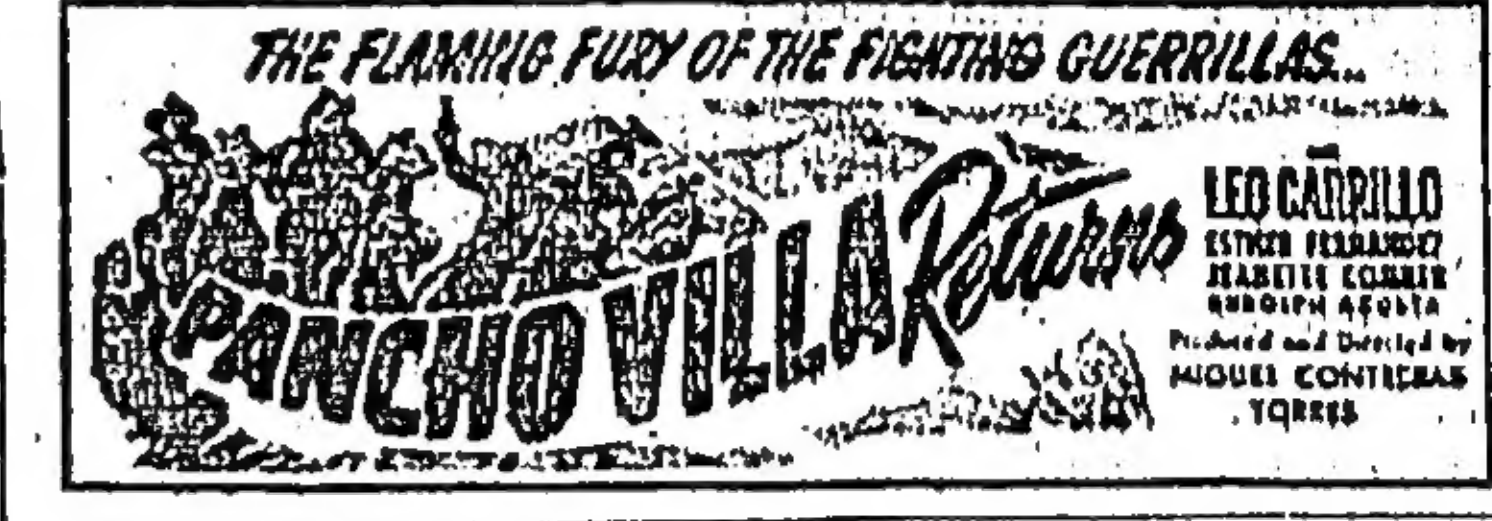
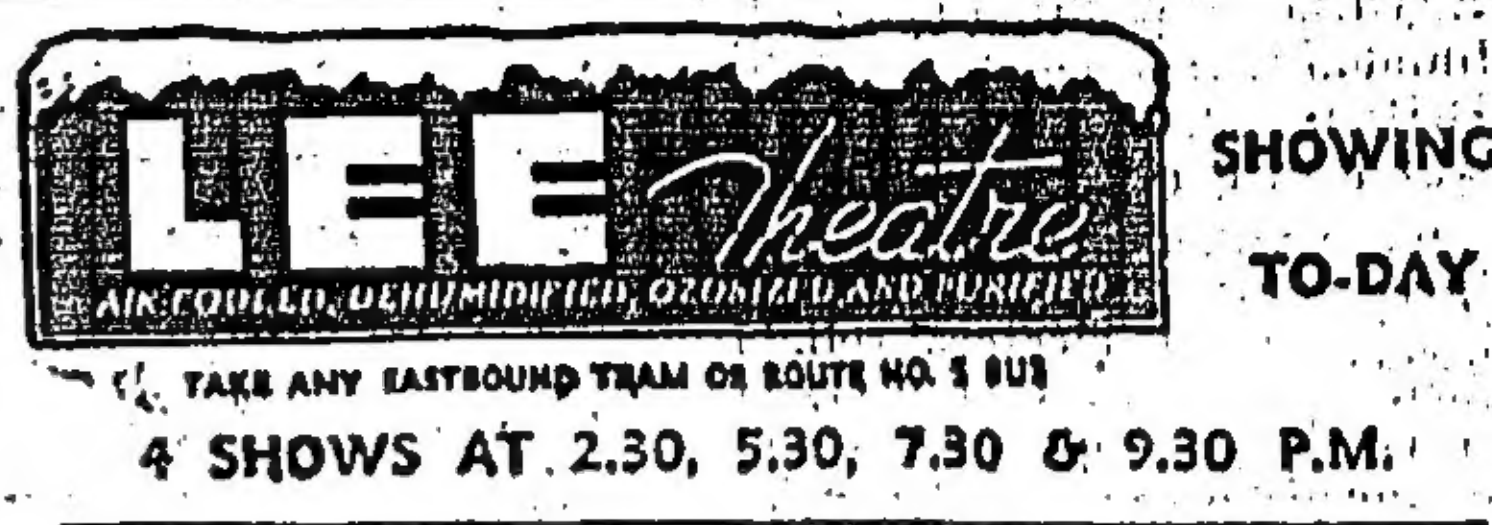
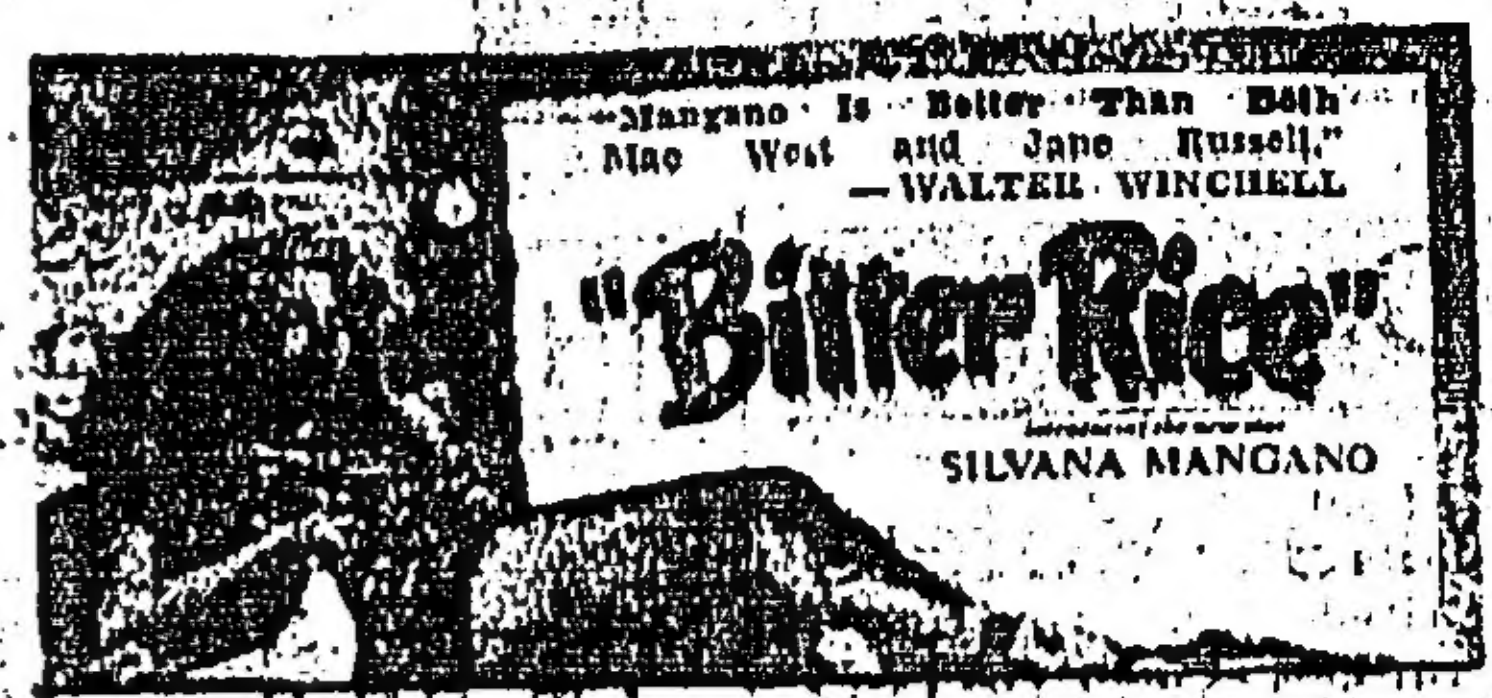
The country was back to normal today. Telegraph services with the interior, monopolised yesterday by the Government, were re-established. The elections led to various incidents but no bloodshed.—Reuters.

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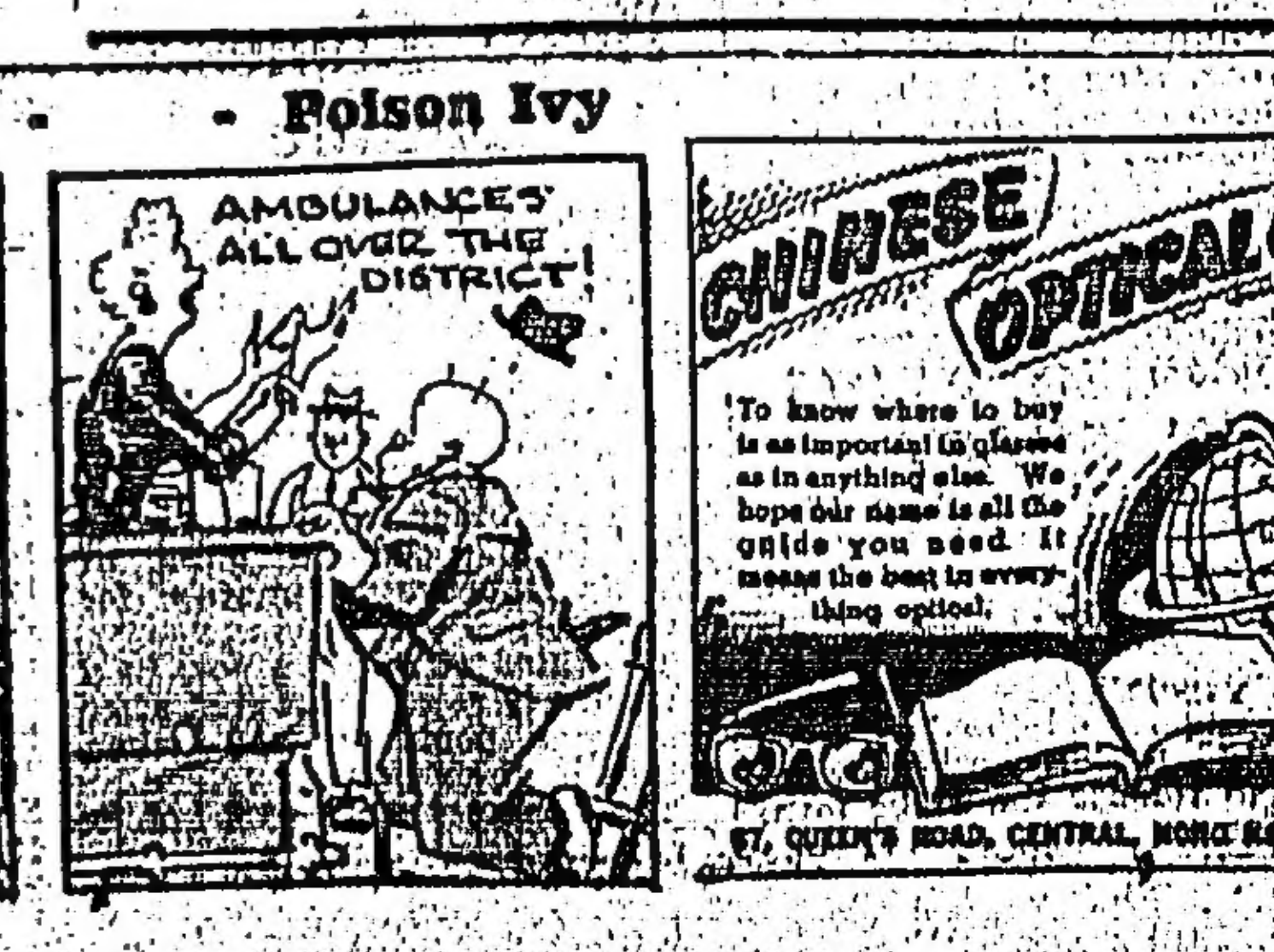
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E. Germany's Deputy Premier Gives Warning To Adenauer

Hilaly Leaves Door Ajar

Cairo, May 12. Contrary to earlier reports, Egypt's reply to the British Foreign Secretary, Anthony Eden's, proposals for settling the Anglo-Egyptian dispute was not handed over today to the British Ambassador, Sir Ralph Stevenson.

It had been expected that the Egyptian Prime Minister, Hilaly Pasha, would see the Ambassador today to give him the reply. But a British Embassy spokesman said tonight that no appointment had been fixed so far for Sir Ralph to see the Egyptian Prime Minister or Foreign Minister.

It is believed here that while the Egyptian Government is not prepared to accept the British proposals, communicated to Egypt at the beginning of this month, it is also not yet prepared to assume responsibility for a breakdown in the current talks.

The door is thus left ajar. The Independent Cairo newspaper Al-Ahram has reported earlier today that it was now quite clear that Egypt would reject the British proposals, details of which have not been published.—Reuter.

SUDAN SENTENCES
Khartoum, May 12. Eleven executives of the Sudan Workers' Federation were today jailed for two years each for abetting an illegal strike.

The strike was called on April 28 after the Government refused the unconditional release of the Federation's President and Vice-President who were jailed for refusing to give bonds to keep the peace.

The President and Vice-President last night entered into such bonds and attended a Khartoum workers' conference discussing the present labour situation.

The President, in prison uniform, presided. It is reported that serious decisions were taken.—Reuter.

U.S. DECISION
Washington, May 12. America is to sell police equipment and materials to Egypt to help maintain internal security, the State Department announced today.

Egyptian police officials are also to be brought to the United States for training under an agreement signed in Cairo on April 30.

The State Department declined to define "police equipment and materials."—Reuter.

Edinburgh Shooting
Edinburgh, May 12. Lance-Corporal Harold Woods, found with a bullet wound in the stomach at Glencliff Barracks, near Edinburgh, on Friday, has died in the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary.—Reuter.



Yma Sumac, Andean-born Peruvian whose voice has a range of four-and-a-half octaves (the average for the human voice is about two octaves), and who is to sing in Britain, her first appearance in the Royal Albert Hall in London on May 31.—Reuter-photo.

REPLY TO BRITISH PROTEST

Washington, May 12. The United States has replied to Britain's protest against the withdrawal of tariff concessions by saying that machinery would be set up to review cases where this was done to protect American industries.

Britain complained in a memorandum published on April 18 that the withdrawal of such concessions was threatening the export trade on which she depended to resolve her economic difficulties.

The memorandum said that there had been a recent increase in the number of applications to the United States Tariff Commission asking for the repeal of American tariff concessions.

The State Department, publishing its reply to the British protest, said that machinery would be set up to review the cases involved.

The American note agreed that there had been an increase in recent months in the number of cases before the Tariff Commission.

The United States was committed to the principle of lowering barriers to international trade and any tendency to deviate from that principle was of concern to the State Department, the note said.—Reuter.

REGIMENT HOME
London, May 12. The First Battalion of the Royal Lincolnshire Regiment, which has been abroad since 1930 and of which Captain Dymore is Adjutant, was welcomed home by Major-General A. A. Griffin, Colonel of the Regiment, and the Mayor of Lincoln, Mr. T. F. Taylor.

The troopship Lancashire also brought home officers and men of the First Battalion of the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders.—Reuter.

Berlin, May 12. The East German Deputy Premier, Walter Ulbricht, said today that if West Germany joined the European Defence Community in return for an end to the occupation the consequences would be seen "very clearly" in West Berlin the next day.

The American policy of making West Germany a war base would not end at the Urals but at Ostend, Herr Ulbricht told a news conference. He did not amplify the two statements.

Copies of the Deputy Premier's statements were sent to the West German Cabinet which was meeting to discuss the agreements which the Western Allies and West Germany are negotiating to replace the Occupation Statute.

Both in West Berlin and Bonn the "consequences" mentioned by Herr Ulbricht were expected to mean increased pressure, possibly a new blockade.

Reference to Ostend was interpreted in West Berlin as meaning that if East Germany were attacked she would be helped by Russia and would be strong enough to drive the Western Allies back to the sea.

An American spokesman said in Berlin, "We are not interested in Herr Ulbricht's threats."

The coalition parties asked the Chancellor at a Cabinet meeting to re-negotiate with the British, French and American Foreign Ministers when they come here late this month the "emergency" clause under which the Western Allies could declare a state of emergency and take any steps necessary to insure their troops' security in the event of an attack on West Germany or Berlin or serious disorders or the threat of such an attack or disorders.

The Free Democratic and German parties say that this clause, particularly the provision for declaring an emergency even if there is only the threat of such an attack or disorders, robs Germany of much of the sovereignty she is supposed to gain under treaties now being negotiated.

The parties are also asking for re-negotiation on the clause, declaring the treaty and other agreements made as a result of this treaty would be binding on any future all-German government. This would mean that a united Germany would be bound to the peace treaty.

Although a re-united Germany would have the right to ask for revisions, the Free Democratic and German parties point out that revisions could be made only with the agreement of all the signatory States. This provision, they declare, denies Germany the "right" to free negotiation.—United Press.

"COUP D'ETAT"
Herr Ulbricht went on to predict an all-German movement of national resistance aiming at overthrowing the West German Government if it signed the agreements. The signing would be a coup d'etat of no legal value.

East Germany would continue to fight for a peace treaty with a united Germany.

The Western Powers' "evasive" reply to the Soviet proposals for a peace treaty showed that London, Washington and Bonn were not interested in uniting Germany.

They feared all-German elections which would bring an expression of the real will of the people.

Referring to the shooting up of an Air France airliner on April 29 by Soviet fighters over East Germany, Herr Ulbricht said, "We have a firm democratic order in East Germany. French and British planes cannot fly about as they like over it."

He claimed that Allied planes left the permitted air corridor to take pictures "to pave the way for terror bombers later. They must remember that they are flying over East Germany and not over Texas."

Against East Germany would be answered with "scientific exactness," Herr Ulbricht concluded.—Reuter.

WESTERN REPLY
London, May 12. The Western reply to the last Soviet note on Germany will be handed over in Moscow tomorrow.

British, French and American officials met here and completed a fourth draft of the reply which they referred back to their Governments for final approval.

If this draft is acceptable in all three capitals it will be sent to the Embassies in Moscow for handing over within 24 hours.

The officials worked almost continuously over the week-end to finish the draft.

The Soviet note of April 10 rejected an earlier Western note proposing that the United Nations Commission should investigate conditions for elections in both zones of Germany.

The Western reply is expected to press for Soviet acceptance of the United Nations Commission, but it will state the willingness of the three Powers to consider any proposal for a neutral commission to study the election question. The reply is also expected to seek explicit elucidation of Soviet views on the setting up of an all-German government pending a peace treaty.—Reuter.

TREATY OBJECTIONS
Bonn, May 12. Free Democratic and German Party members of the Coalition Government have asked the Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, to re-negotiate two key parts of the West German treaty with the Western Foreign Ministers.

More Bad News For Britain

London, May 12. British exports in her battle to pay her way shipped in April below the average for the first three months of the year, it was revealed today.

Provisional trade figures for April showed a national deficit with other countries because of the decline in exports. Economic experts thought the decline was caused by the Easter holidays and perhaps also by import duties imposed by Australia and other sterling countries to which Britain usually sells her goods.—United Press.

Hearings Begin On Vital Issue STEEL DISPUTE

Washington, May 12. The Supreme Court, America's highest tribunal, today began hearing arguments of the legality of President Truman's seizure of the steel industry on April 9 to avert a wages strike.

The Court can invalidate any act of the President which it decides violates the nation's written Constitution.

The Government brought the case after Federal Judge David Pine had ruled on April 29 that President Truman had exceeded his powers.

Today, counsel representing six major steel companies will put forward the industry's case. When this is over the Government will reply through its Solicitor-General and Acting Attorney-General.

Nine Justices are listening to the oral arguments.

The Government and the industry in addition to the 550,000-strong United Steelworkers' Union have filed written briefs.

Until the Court's decision is known, the industry, with production now almost back to normal, will remain technically under Government control.—Reuter.

OIL STRIKE
Denver, May 12. The leaders of some oil workers' unions today called for a tightening up of the strike as management and labour prepared for their important meeting tomorrow with the Wage Stabilization Board.

Officials of the Union, representing workers in eight mid-Western States, met at Toledo, Ohio, and agreed to tighten up picketing at all points where it may be legal to do so.

Mr. O. A. Knight, President of this Union, which is the largest of the 22 involved in the strike, said yesterday that a wage increase of 18½ cents an hour would be acceptable.

Twenty-five cents was originally sought.

A settlement between Standard Oil of California and members of an independent union based on an increase of 18½ cents was reached over the week-end.

The domestic tourist trade expressed fears today that the oil strike if prolonged would cut sharply into summer business.

Joseph Brand, President of the Motor Hotel Association of New Mexico, said that he was writing to the State's Congressmen urging them to help in settling the strike.

"Numerous tourists already complain that they are unable to get petrol along the route," he said.

In most areas supplies of motor fuel were expected to last for several weeks but in New Jersey several filling stations rationed customers.—Reuter.

ROLLING STOCK FOR SIAM
Bangkok, May 12. The Thai Government today reported that it had ordered 55 locomotives, 100 passenger coaches and 500 railway wagons from Japan.

The orders were placed as part of a plan to expand the Thai communications system.—France-Press.

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Rhode Island Voters Defy Machine

New York, May 12. Bitter accusations were exchanged in the presidential election campaign over the week-end as party machines moved into high gear for a heavy week.

Most delegates to be selected this week will be chosen on Friday in a State Convention in Oregon, where local Republicans are fighting on behalf of Senator Taft and General Eisenhower.

Allegations of "robbery" appeared in literature which Republican voters received over the week-end from the respective camps.

For Republicans the week's heavy programme began today with State conventions in the small State of Rhode Island and in the State of Wyoming.

Republicans in Rhode Island (population 700,000) rebuffed their party leaders and voted to give the State eight votes in the National Presidential Convention to General Eisenhower.

Party leaders wanted them to give five votes to General Eisenhower, two to Senator Taft and one to a "neutral" State Convention chairman William Thompson.

In Wyoming the Eisenhower camp would be satisfied with five delegates to seven for Senator Taft.

TAFT FAVOURED
On Tuesday, West Virginia's Republicans will hold a preferential contest and elect their 18 National Convention delegates. General Eisenhower is not entered in the preferential ballot but his supporters today urged voters to write "Ike" across the names of Senator Taft and Harold Stassen printed on the ballot.

There was no write-in provision but "Ike" marks would invalidate ballot papers.

Senator Taft was favoured to win in West Virginia but General Eisenhower's supporters hoped to split the delegation.

The Oregon primary on Friday will include a preferential ballot and the election of 18 National Convention delegates.

North Dakota holds its State Convention on Friday. On

Inquiry Into TV Programmes
Washington, May 12. The House of Representatives today ordered an investigation into America's television and radio programmes to eliminate "immoral or otherwise offensive" matter.

Democrat Representative E. Gathings, proposing the probe, said a week's survey of radio and television programmes between 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. when there were juvenile audiences, showed 91 murders and numerous other crimes.

Democrat E. Gathings said: "The untrained youth of our land is being corrupted fully and maliciously."

In many nursery programmes, he said, there were advertisements showing "beautiful ladies, elegantly dressed, demonstrating the technique of how to pour intoxicating beverages."

The House agreed to ask its Commerce Committee to recommend suitable legislation.

The House also decided to appoint a committee to investigate magazine and children's papers.

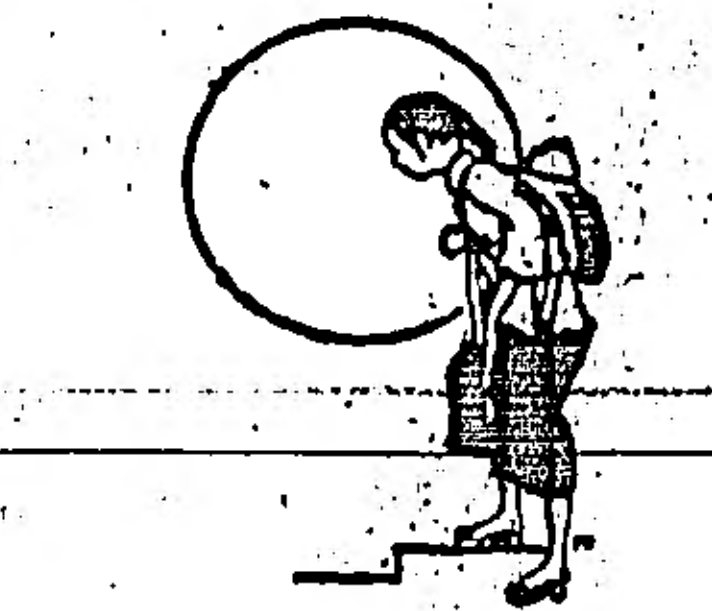
Mr. Gathings, who is expected to head the investigation, told reporters there was no intention of instituting censorship, but he was concerned by the "prevalence of dirty literature available at cheap cost to almost any kid in the country."—Reuter.

PI Not Affected
Manila, May 12. The present oil strike in the United States, which is expected to affect civil aviation throughout the world, will not affect either the price or the supply of oil in the Philippines, according to a statement made today by the Standard-Vacuum Oil Company of the Philippines.—Reuter.

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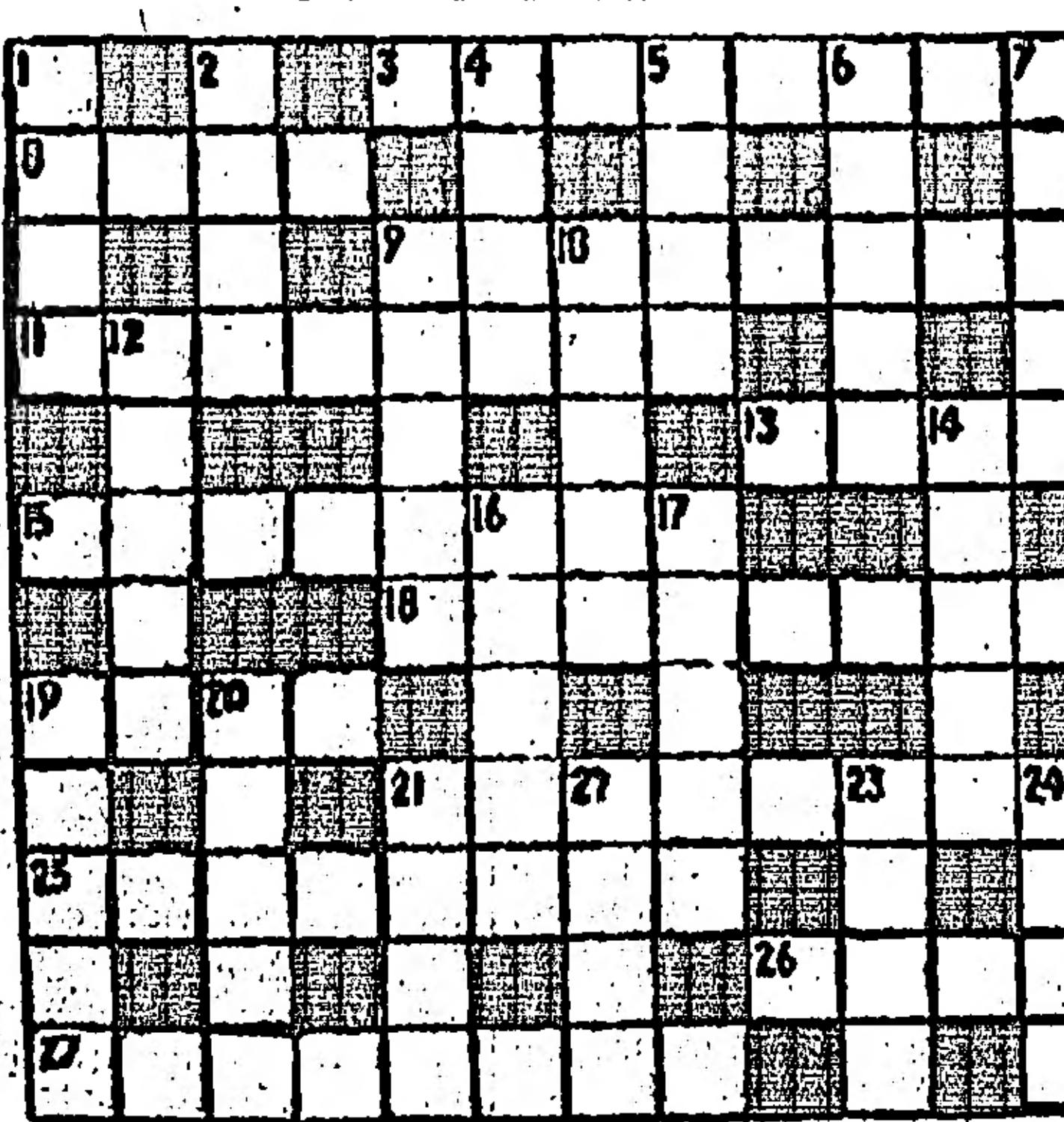
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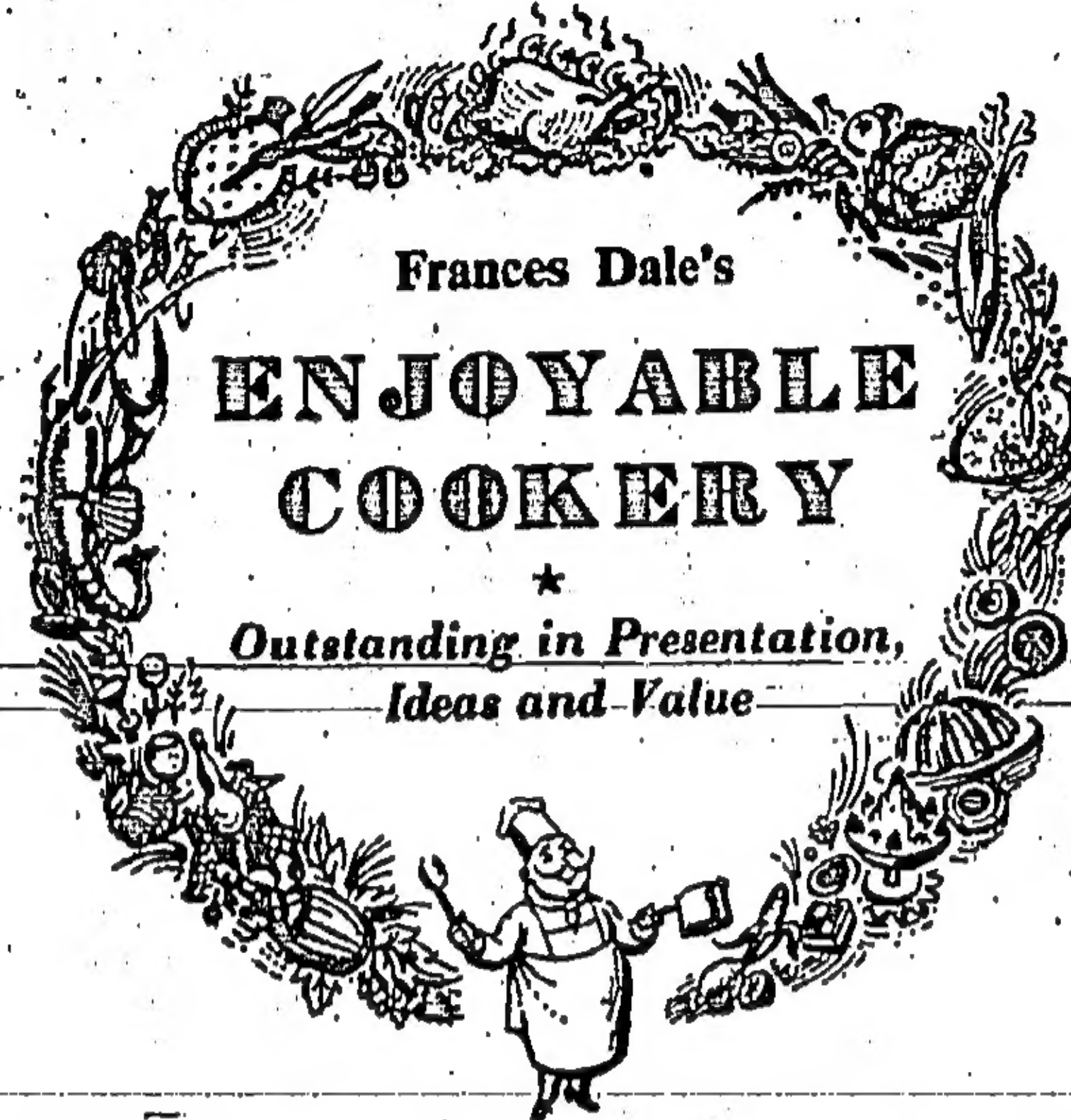
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STALIN THE IDOL

I SAW Stalin twice, in
the 18 months I was in
Moscow — which is
about as often as the most
optimistic and devoted
Muscovite could hope for.

Once was on the saluting
base on Lenin's tomb in
the Red Square for the May Day
parade; once on the dais, with
the other members of the
Politburo, during the brief
session of the Supreme Soviet.

He is trim, neat-waisted and
erect, well-tailored in his mar-
shal's uniform, smaller and
slighter than you expect from
the photographs, and very grey,
new as to hair and moustache.

But the face is strong, alert,
full of character—very much
the Georgian, compared with
such pudding-faced Slavs as
Molotov.

A couple of public appear-
ances a year seems to be his
average, which is curious in a
country where so much public
adulation is showered on the
national leader — and is so
vigorously fostered.

Everybody talks about him but he is rarely
seen in Moscow except in photographs

There are statues and por-
traits in every park and
public place, every classroom
and office. Almost every other
day the chief front-page feature
of every Moscow paper is a
promise by the miners of such-
and-such a pit, the workers of
such-and-such a factory to in-
crease their output — always
addressed, in headline and
opening sentence, to Comrade
Stalin.

Armed guard

EVERY public speech contains
a reference, loudly cheered,
to the great Leader and Teacher;
every learned body, whether
scientific or historical or literary,
acknowledges Stalin as the one
supreme genius in its own field
of learning or research. School-
children learn, and sing, a
Hymn to Stalin.

At the latest exhibition of
contemporary art in Moscow I
had totted up 40 portraits and
statues of Stalin — Stalin as a
boy, as a young man, as the
great revolutionary, as the
organiser of victory, as the
friend of Lenin — before I lost
count and went home with
visual indigestion.

But the painters and the
sculptors must have one eye on
photographs and previous
portraits, the other on their
successful future, for Stalin
certainly gives no sittings.
His movements are never re-
ported in the papers, he opens
no bazars, launches no ships.

When he is in Moscow he is
whisked through the streets

No guesses

I have no doubt, though, that
when Stalin dies (which is
an eventually no Soviet citizen
will discuss, publicly or pri-
vately), he will be embalmed
in which, on the last day of
a glass casket, with the half-
three times a week, rain, hail
or snow, shuffling past under
the watchful eyes of the
guardians of the tomb.

Which reminds me that one
question often asked is what

will happen to the regime itself
when Stalin dies.

No responsible observer of
the Soviet scene would be so
rash as to hazard a guess.

It may be that Molotov will
succeed; Beria, Stalin's follow-
er, and head of his secret
police or some committee com-
bining these two with others
less well known.

All I am sure about is that
Stalin has determined that all
he has worked for shall not be
thrown away in a struggle for
his vacant throne, and that he
has willed and secured the
succession accordingly.

Blind idolatry

NO Englishman can ever quite
understand — nor, if my own
feelings are anything to go by,
ever quite stomach — the blind
idolatry amounting to wor-
ship, that is accorded to Lenin,
Russia, and to Stalin, the leader
who now claims to be his only
true disciple, comrade, partner
and the trustee of the true
Marxist-Leninist faith.

To support which claim his-
tory has been rewritten, books
burned, and documentary
evidence destroyed.

So completely has the name
been expurgated from the pages
of Russian history of Lenin's
closest comrade — in arms,
Stalin's defeated and murdered
rival, that when I jotted in a
traveller's notebook about my
misadventure in trying to learn
the language of Leninism and
Stalinism, I was told that the
Soviet censor had cut out
out of my cable the one word
"Trotsky."

HITLER AND SHINWELL BOTH BANNED IT

—By James Leasor—

HITLER banned it in
1935. Shinwell banned
it in 1947, during
a fuel crisis.

It: The Isis, Oxford's
famous undergraduate week-
ly, which celebrated its dia-
mond jubilee with a double-
size (80-page) issue, and a
cocktail party to past and
present contributors.

Many famous literary figures
were connected with the blue-
covered Isis when they were at
Oxford.
It would take a deep purge
now to buy articles by Evelyn
Waugh, C. S. Lewis, E. M. Forster,
L. A. C. Strong, Emily
Williams, by Sir Alan Herbert,
Sylvia Townsend Warner, Dillya
Powell, or Osbert Lancaster.
The Isis published them all —
free.

Other literary figures joined
the rival Cherwell, which con-
stantly lampooned the Isis.
Among them: C. Day Lewis,
Auden, Spender, Rex Warner.
Why did they not write for
the Isis instead? "Probably be-
cause we were not asked to,"
admits Rex Warner in this
jubilee number.

The Isis was the brainchild
of one Montagu "Horatio"
Mortimer Trollope. Born
April 27, 1892. He edited it
for two years (time now allow-
ed in the editorial chair is only
one term).
Piggott started the regular
feature of an "Idol" in which
some local personality is inter-
viewed. One of the earliest
things published was the Rev.
William Spooner, then a fellow

of New College, whose name
has given a new word to our
language.

Spooner's interviewer wrote:
"No one who heard him will
ever forget the affecting way
in which, on his last Speech
Day, he recited the opening
lines of 'The Burial of Sir
John Moore':

"Not a drum was heard, not a
funeral note,
As his horse on the ramparts
was carried."

The beliefs some Idols ex-
pressed in their days of Oxford
began to compare oddly with the
views they now propagate with
vigour.

Michael Foot, for instance,
now Socialist M.P. for Devon-
port, was not always of the
Left. His interviewer wrote:
"He describes himself as an
uncompromising Radical."

"He dislikes the jingoism
which he attributes to the
Forbes as much as he hates the
attack on individual liberty
which he believes to be in-
herent in Socialism," but he
never sneers at the views of his
opponents."

Now what would Randolph
Churchill say to that, I won-
der.
In 1912 another Idol was said
to have "two vices—he is a
Unionist Free Trader and an
occasional journalist."
Sounding like the occasional
journalism triumphed over the
Unionist Free Trading, for
Robert Barrington-Ward became
editor of The Times.

How dated some of the
jubilant contributions seem!
Evelyn Waugh has an article
reprinted from an Isis pub-
lished in 1924. In it he writes:
"What we want is another war
when there is a war the
fighting people at least have
moments of really intense
enjoyment and really intense
misery—both things which one
wants at our age."

And what happens to editors
after their term of office?

For the most part, nothing
very sensational. Many drift into
comfortable obscurity as doctors,
lawyers, curators, business men,
and the like. A few continue
along the writing road: Lionel
Hale, Tom Hopkinson, Charles
Graves, Peter Fleming among
them.

H. C. Bailey, 1890's editor,
was a journalist for many years
also wrote the "Mr Fortune"
detective stories.

Desmond Coke (1902) wrote
the classic Sandford of Merton;
and R. Knox, editor in 1907, is
now better known as the Rt.
Reverend Monsignor Ronald
Knox.

Arnold Lunn became a glori-
ous international reputation.
Ronald Knox writes in the
jubilee number: "The editor's
salary (if I remember right)
was £10 a term. And it was
the price of slavery." It
sticks in my head that I hand-
ed over to Arnold Lunn — I
rather liked Arnold in those
days, and I suppose I thought
it would serve him right."

IF I WERE THE JAPANESE AMBASSADOR

By Christopher Hollis, M.P.

London, May 9.
JAPAN'S first post-war
Ambassador will arrive
in Great Britain in a
few weeks' time—with the
all important task of im-
proving Anglo-Japanese re-
lations.

One must speak frankly.
The Ambassador's task
will not be an easy one. The
Japanese, to put it bluntly,
are not popular today in
England. They are unpopu-
lar, I think, for three main
reasons.

First, the memories of
the war have not perished.
The British are in general
accustomed to bury the
hatchet with former enemies
more quickly than other
people. I am afraid, though,
that it must be admitted
that former prisoners of
war in Japanese hands have
not brought back pleasant
stories of their treatment.

Secondly, Lancashire
fears the competition of
Japanese textiles.

Thirdly, there is a wide-
spread feeling that, though
Japan is at the moment
disarmed, and though Com-
munism is at the moment
our main danger, Japan
nevertheless has not aban-
doned her ambitions of
dominating the Orient.

Further it is feared that
if she should be in any way
enlisted as an ally in the
battle against Communism,
she would only sell her
alliance at a price. Result
of the defeat of Communism
might then leave us a prob-
lem of Japanese imperialism
in the East, just as it might
leave us with a problem
of German imperialism in
Europe.

How far are these sus-
picions justified? And what
can a new Ambassador do
to allay them? About the
past he can do little. He
can only try to live it down
and try to persuade his
fellow-countrymen to live it
down; he can strive to per-
suade the English by

example that they have no
reason to fear such things
for the future.

The textile competition is
another story. The British case,
frankly, is a contradictory one.
Half the time we talk about
the Colombo Plan. We say that
the answer to Communism in
the Far East is to raise the
standard of living of the
Orientals, to make capital
investments in their countries,
to industrialise them.

The other half we spend
complaining of the Japanese if
they try to export manufactured
goods.

This does not make sense.
But the Japanese Ambassador
will not do much good if he
continues to talk with a straight
face at the British. He must un-
derstand that, whatever the sense
or nonsense of particular argu-
ments, the British are deter-
mined, if possible, not to have
unemployment again. And the
people of Lancashire want to
live.

It is true that in a battle of
competition Japan has the
advantage over Lancashire of
low costs of production and can
doubtless drive Lancashire out
of many foreign markets. Many
of the Eastern countries of the
Commonwealth wish to buy the
cheap Japanese textiles rather
than the more expensive Bri-
tish goods, they might well
strain the unity of the Common-
wealth.

The Japanese are entitled to
claim, and soon will be in a
position to capture, a fair share
of the world's markets. But
they will make a great mistake
if they make their claims too
aggressively and if they show
an unwillingness to strike and
keep bargains on detail.

They will make a great mis-
take because the first Japanese
interest is not so much to get
a fair share of the world's mar-
kets as to see that the world's
markets are as large as possible.

There is room for a big world
expansion in the consumption
both of textiles and other con-
sumer goods. But the condition
of that expansion is that there
be a machinery for world trade.
The sterling area system is the
only international world trading
system in the world.

In London there is still a
tradition and a knowledge of
how to run such a system as
cannot be found in any other
country. Both the dollar system
and the totalitarian systems are
essentially national systems
with international trade as a
secondary extra.

If the new Japanese Ambassa-
dor is a wise man, he will indeed
press, and ensure, his fellow
countrymen to press for a
reasonable share of markets, but
he will be careful not to press
his claims in such a way as to
threaten the stability of the
sterling area. The result of that
would be to contract the whole
market for the world's trade. It
would be as if a man were to
blow up the railway lines which
his competitors used, not noticing
that he wanted to use the same
lines himself.

Then there is the question of
imperial ambitions. We have
not enough of war, and the Am-
bassador will certainly have to
persuade the Western powers
that it is not an aggressive mili-
tary power which is arising
again in the East. He must,
naturally, fully entitled to insist
that Japan can only renounce
imperial ambitions on reasonable
conditions. An industrialised
and food-importing country,
a country with a thick and grow-
ing population, is entitled to say
that it can only secure conditions
of conquest. It is allowed
reasonable conditions for selling
abroad under peaceful conditions.

In particular, Japan must be
allowed to trade freely with
Communist China. If, in the
near future, the Communist
regime in China should collapse,
well and good. But, if, as seems
more probable, that does not
happen, then Japan is entitled to
protest that it is about to be
cut off from the vast resources
of the Chinese market. For Chiang
whether his regime is good or
bad, has no prospect of becoming
the master of China. Japan,
nevertheless, must trade with
China, Communist or otherwise,
for in no other way can she live.

The new Ambassador must
persuade the British people that
the Japanese only want to live
and let live and not to overthrow
the sterling area. That the
British people will certainly allow
them the conditions of that life.
A residue of suspicion remains,
quite frankly, however, and the
Ambassador must be content to
work slowly and with patience.

JACOBSON
ON BRIDGESwing Hands Win
Points at Tourney

By OSWALD JACOBSON

BRIDGE fans who have never played in a tournament may be puzzled when they read about the "swing" hands in the Vanderbilt Cup Tournament. It is less puzzling if you remember that the Vanderbilt is a contest for bridge teams of four players per team.

Let's suppose that in one of these contests a team of four women is playing against a team of four men. The women would occupy the North and South seats at one table, with men in the East and West seats. In another room the arrangement would be different, with the other two women occupying the East and West seats, and the two men North and South.

Let's suppose that a hand comes along in which most of the high

NORTH (D)		20	
♠ J 10 5 4			
♥ K 9			
♦ 10 8 7 3 2			
♣ J 5			
WEST		EAST	
♠ A Q 7 6 2	♠ K 8 3		
♥ Q 2	♥ A 10		
♦ A 5 4	♦ K Q J 5		
♣ Q 3	♣ 9 8 2		
SOUTH			
♠ None			
♥ Q J 8 7 5 4 3			
♦ None			
♣ A K 10 7 6 4			
Both sides vul.			
West	North	East	South
1♠	Pass	2♥	2♥
2♠	Pass	4♠	5♠
3♠	Pass	5♠	6♠
Pass	Pass	Double	Pass
Pass	Pass		
Opening lead—A♠			

cards are dealt to North and South. In the first round, the two women hold the high cards. The hand will eventually be played in the second round, where the two men will hold the high cards.

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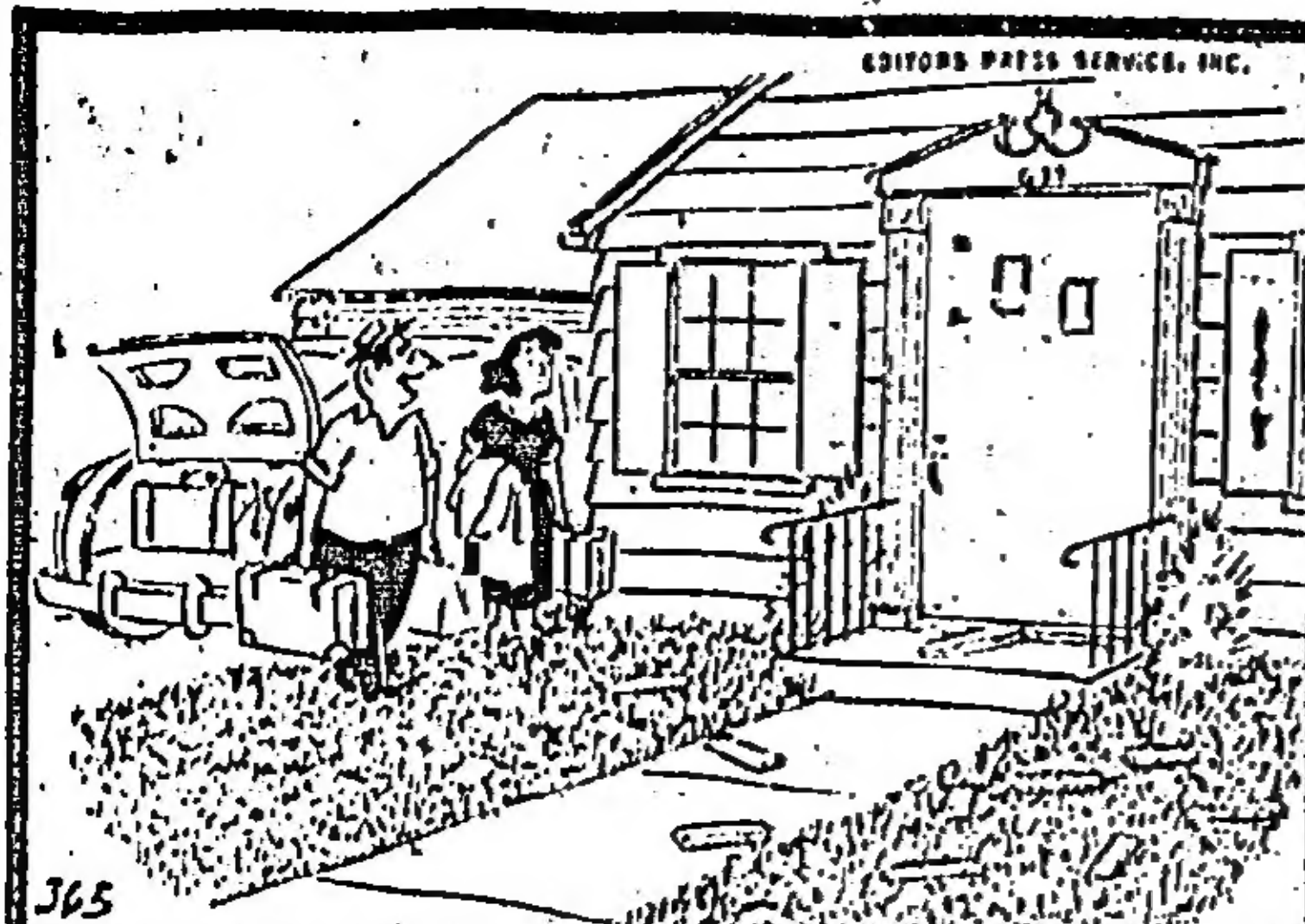
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"At least the lawn I forgot to have mowed hides most of the newspapers you forgot to have stopped."

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

JACK TURBOT is coming. "Don't hesitate," says a spokesman, with one foot in the road and one on the pavement.

I am reminded of the man who walked home from a rowdy party with one foot in the gutter and the other on the pavement. A master-by said to him, "I say, do you realize you've got one foot in the gutter?" "Thank you," said the reveler with preposterous gravity. "I thought I was limping."

The Gamma-bomb (XIX)
SCIENTISTS of the more advanced democracies were extremely puzzled by the formula Dingo-Poo delivered to Smu in Varnopol. The ingredients prescribed seemed harmless enough, yet the experts had the assurance that Koolrid had given Egham the formula. At length an experimental bomb was ready. The population was evicted from an area the size of Wales in the desert of Zakan, and the bomb was exploded in the presence of scientists, Generals, politicians and the Press.

The bomb weighed 12,729 tons, and had used up several stockpiles of valuable materials. It was 100 yards high, with a circumference of 361 yards. When General Vasselin pressed the button 60 miles away, all held their breath. There was a sharp explosion, followed by a blinding, burning, and the watchers saw through their telescopes the whole

thing fall to pieces slowly. That was all that happened. Cattle five feet away were unharmed. Dingo-Poo, once looked hideous. Her rage was terrible. "I'll get Egham for this," she kept repeating.

Without comment
The deer-shooting season in New York State closed today. The toll: 100 deer, 100 rabbits, 100 muskrats, 100 beavers, 100 otters, 100 porcupines, 100 chipmunks, 100 squirrels, 100 chipmunks, 100 squirrels, 100 chipmunks, 100 squirrels.

YOUR BIRTHDAY By STELLA
TUESDAY, MAY 13
BORN today, your perceptions are exceptionally keen; your imagination is vivid; and your natural adaptability and initiative are unusual. If you combine these characteristics with your natural ability to find the right word for a happy situation, you can become a powerful protagonist for any cause that you sponsor. Gentle and sympathetic toward all "underdogs," you can help better social conditions.

You have a great deal of determination and firmness. Once you have set your mind on something, you are hard to move. You will advance doggedly towards that goal despite all kinds of odds. You have a rather retiring nature and dislike pushing yourself forward. But your backbone of steel sees you through all trials.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—All work this week can make Jack a very busy boy! Find some time for relaxation these days.
GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—If given advice, pay attention to it. You may get some excellent ideas if you do.
CANCER (June 22-July 21)—A fine day to try out that new experiment. It should succeed. Innovations often increase income.
LEO (July 22-Aug. 21)—Your success potential is now very active. Make plans for the balance of the year while the signs are good.

VIRGO (Aug. 22-Sept. 21)—Business, insurance and real-estate matters should be postponed until a little later on.
LIBRA (Sept. 22-Oct. 21)—Make innovations in your schedule. Operate on a 4-hour basis. This will solve all old problems.
SCORPIO (Oct. 22-Nov. 21)—Too much aggressiveness can ruin many a well-laid plan. Be a little firmer and positive but don't push.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Be sure that you can reciprocate favor if you must ask favours from your friends.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 21)—Too much work is apt to make you dull. Try to get some of that much needed relaxation today.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 22-Feb. 19)—You might chaperone a group of

boys and girls on an outing in the country. Maybe a hike?
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BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE
Blinky Won't Answer His Bell
—And for a Good Reason: It's Still Wintertime—
By MAX TRELL

KNARE and Hanid, the shadow-children who were turned-about names, were wondering why Blinky Mole didn't answer his door-bell. They had both rang it five or six times. Moreover, there was no reason to believe that the bell was out of order. They could hear it ringing in a muffled sort-of-way deep down inside Blinky's apartment.

"My goodness," said Hanid to her brother after they had rung the bell (and heard it ringing) three or four more times, "Blinky can't be asleep, can he? It's twelve o'clock now. He must be awake!"

"Maybe he's out visiting or something," said Knarf.

Can't Be Out
Hanid shook her head. "I'm sure he isn't. Just look at the weather—rain and snow and wind and icicles. Oh no, he can't be out visiting on a nasty day like this!"

Finally Knarf thought of turning the knob of the door just to see if it was locked. It opened up at once.

"Oh—I wonder if we should go down?" Hanid said hesitantly. "Maybe—maybe he doesn't want us to come."

But Knarf said that was silly. Why shouldn't Blinky want them to come? Besides, if he left his door unlocked, it meant that his friends should walk right in.

However, just to make sure, Knarf called down from the head of the stairs (for Blinky's apartment, being underground, led down instead of up when you entered his front door). "Blinky!" he shouted. "Oh, Knarf and Hanid listened very carefully. But the only answer that came back was

WOMANSENSE

Three Chicken Recipes
"Down American Way"

By ALICE DENHOFF

OUR own poultry show today, which means, of course, some fine recipes, such as the one for Chicken Fricassee from California. It's especially good since stewing chickens are usually on the plentiful list.

CHICKEN FRICASSEE. Cut chicken in pieces. Place in kettle and barely cover with water, adding 1½ tsp. salt. Simmer until meat is tender—2 to 4 hours, depending upon weight and age of bird.

SAUCE FOR CHICKEN. To prepare sauce, melt 3 tsp. butter, and blend in ¼ c. flour. Gradually add 2 c. chicken stock, stirring constantly over low heat until mixture thickens and boils. Combine ¼ evaporated milk, 1 tsp. lemon juice and one slightly beaten egg yolk. Blend into sauce and continue heating a minute. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

Arrange chicken on platter and pour over sauce. Garnish with lemon slices and parsley, and serve with hot biscuits, rice, mashed potatoes or dumplings. Or remove bone from pieces and serve in individual casserole dishes.

From that other region, down Texas way, comes a recipe for Texas Chicken Marengo.

CHICKEN MARENGO. Have a 3½ to 4 lb. chicken cut in serving pieces. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Heat ½ c. olive oil in heavy frying pan. Add chicken and cook over low heat until lightly browned, turning frequently, for 35 to 40 min. Add ½ c. garlic clove, one small onion, 3 parsley sprigs, 1 tsp. thyme and one crushed bay leaf. Cover; cook over low heat until chicken is almost tender.

Uncover; sprinkle with 2 tsp. flour, coating each piece of chicken lightly; cook 2 min. until flour is browned. Stir in 4 tsp. chopped tomato or tomato paste, one c. (¾ lb.) sliced fresh or tinned mushrooms, and ½ c. chopped green pepper. Cover and simmer 5 min. or until chicken is tender. Remove onion and garlic,

If any remain; dish up on hot platter.

PAPRIKA CHICKEN. Next, Paprika Chicken, a dish from continental Europe that has become a good citizen in the States, since we find it on restaurant menus in every section of the country!

Clean and wash a 3 to 4 lb. chicken that has been plucked. Make stock by boiling giblets and neck. Dry chicken. Melt 2 tsp. fat in frying pan. Add chicken and brown lightly. Sprinkle with 1 tsp. salt, ½ tsp. pepper, ¼ tsp. leaf thyme, ¼ tsp. onion salt, 1 tsp. paprika. Pour stock over chicken. Cover. Bake at 350° F. for 1½ hours, or until tender. Place chicken on serving platter, and keep warm.

Mix 2 tsp. flour and 3 tsp. water to paste, then stir into gravy in pan. Cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Add ½ c. sour cream; bring to boil. Pour over chicken. Serves 4-6. If desired, add chopped giblets to gravy.

REFRIGERATOR KEEPS FLOWERS FRESH
BERKELEY, Calif. — Cut flowers will last longer if as many leaves as possible have been removed.

Home Advisers at the University of California agricultural extension service point out that flowers lose moisture rapidly through the leaves after they have been picked.

They suggest that removal of the leaves will eliminate some of the surfaces where evaporation can take place.

Add other greens to replace the ones removed, the home advisers suggested.

Another method for slowing evaporation from leaves and cut-flower stems is by keeping the storage temperature low and humid.

Sometimes cut flowers which have wilted can be revived by setting the container on a cool porch overnight, or in the refrigerator with a temperature of 40 degrees.—United Press.

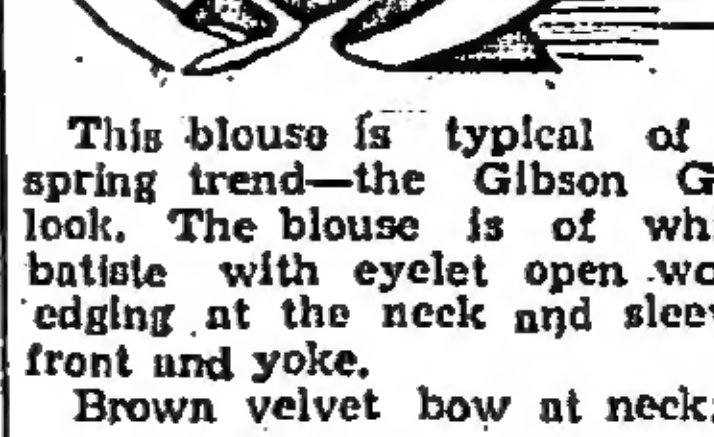
Vitamin Pills Safe,
Doctor Contends

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Keep medicines away from children's reach, but if junior playfully swallows a stock of vitamin pills, the chances are they'll do him no harm, says Dr. Niels C. Klendshoj of the Amer. Co. pharmaceutical manufacturers.

Dr. Klendshoj said the human body contains a mysterious but automatic safety valve for most vitamins. It prevents toxic, or poisonous, effects from excess dosage.

The body will absorb only a certain amount of a vitamin and will throw off the remainder harmlessly, he said.—United Press.

GIBSON GIRL



This blouse is typical of a spring trend—the Gibson Girl look. The blouse is of white batiste with eyelash open work edging at the neck and sleeve, front and yoke.

Brown velvet bow at neck.

By ALICE ALDEN

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

A good light, properly placed, will prove less tiring to the eyes when playing or practicing on the piano. A swing arm floor lamp with a 10-inch diffusing bowl and a shade at least 16 inches in diameter across the bottom is recommended for

piano lighting. The extension arm should be at least 15 inches long; the bottom of the shade 47 inches from the floor. Then place the lamp so that the centre of the shade is 22 inches to the right or left of the centre of the keyboard, and 12 inches in front of the lower edge of the music rack. Use a 100-50 three-way bulb, turned on at highest wattage. The shade should permit the light to show through.

After washing blankets, give them a finish like new, by ironing the binding with a warm iron and pressing cloth, and then brushing the wool in one direction only, with a soft brush. This will smooth the fuzzy surface to its original texture.

A Cure For Enlarged Pores
By HELEN FOLLETT

Perhaps the girl with enlarged pores has been using creams hastily in hope of correcting this condition. That is not the proper treatment. She needs astringents or tonic lotions. She will find these at cosmetic counters. They were compounded especially for her use.

She must avoid applications of hot water as much as possible as moist heat is relaxing to the flesh. The water should be just warm enough so that soap will lather freely. Rinsing should be with tepid water, then with cold. After that the astringent should be patted on with plectegs of cotton, allowed to dry.

If the skin chaps, she can use a little light cream but it should not remain on overnight. Friction with an ice cube once a day will prove helpful. Results must not be expected immediately; it is difficult to change the texture of the skin.

Cosmetic Camouflage
A foundation cosmetic, used carefully according to directions, will camouflage the little dents. These preparations vary in form and consistency. It is wise to try out different ones and note results.

It is believed that rich foods are sometimes responsible for coarse skins as they are responsible for florid ones. So the victim of this good-looks worry should cut down on pastries, mayonnaise and other rich sauces. She should eat plenty of vegetables for the mineral salt content, start the day with orange or tomato juice.

Every year we are learning more and more about the effects of food upon the complexion. The boss of the commissary department in every home should serve a balanced diet.

Bright Days Ahead



By ALICE ALDEN

SMALL, tidy and dainty—that's the hat note. Good news, too, for at this time of the year, while a woman wants a hat that whispers of the coming season, she doesn't care for one that is too summery. This one is perfect for wedding receptions or garden parties. Laddie

Northridge, the noted milliner, works black milan straw into a clever new silhouette and secures the crownless visor brim by a ribbon-covered clip smartly sprinkled with glowing, jewelled forget-me-nots and red roses, a harbinger of balmy days and pleasant skies.

From Wife To Sweater Girl
HOLLYWOOD—Phyllis Thaxter has nothing against marriage, but she has been a wife so long she finds it a refreshing change to squirm in to a light-fitting sweater and try to catch a man again.

No, she is not fresh out of the divorce court. It's just that she's playing the role of an unwed chick in her latest picture.

This comes after a series of her wifely roles.

After that run of domesticity, the twinkly-eyed actress, transformed into a single girl with sex appeal, daring and love-hungry, in her role as a French spy. More than her clothes undergoes changes.

Plenty of Action
She makes love to Steve Cochran, dazzles Cornel Wilde with her transformation from a nun (a masquerade adopted to fool the gestic) to a curvaceous young girl in a saucy sweater and, as a member of the Macaul underground, engages in a series of swift and adventurous action scenes.

It will be a welcome change from playing wives for so long, she said. "I'm glad to regain my screen single blessedness."

She does not want to commit herself to a career "of spinsterhood, however, well. "Don't say I want to abandon wife roles forever," she said. "I'll be happy to play any good dramatic part but I hope I don't have such a long run in the kitchen again." —United Press.

Afternoon Wear
Shantung taffeta dress.

ONE of the favourites of the fabric world for some time now has been silk shantung taffeta, so it is quite in line that it is used for a very attractive late afternoon dress that combines elegance and pleats in a most delightful manner. The V-neckline is scalloped above a snugly buttoned bodice. The skirt is very full and is stiffened by a chino-line petticoat. An inset of accordion pleating is enclosed by the scalloped edge of the overskirt centre front, and there are silk pockets hidden in the side folds.

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PAN-AMERICAN GAMES

Buenos Aires, May 11. Argentina won the Pan-American Athletic Games today when Brazil, its nearest rival, dropped out after a disputed decision.

POCKET CARTOON
By OSBERT LANCASTER

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

RACE FIXTURES FOR THE FIRST HALF OF THE
1952/1953 RACING SEASON.

Sat., 27th Sept.	1st Race Meeting
Sat., 11th Oct.	2nd Race Meeting
Mon., 18th Oct.	3rd Race Meeting
Sat., 26th Oct.	4th Race Meeting
Sat., 8th Nov.	5th Race Meeting
Mon., 10th Nov.	6th Race Meeting
Sat., 22nd Nov.	7th Race Meeting
Sat., 6th Dec.	8th Race Meeting
Sat., 13th Dec.	9th Race Meeting

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

Hong Kong, 1st May, 1952.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB
SEVENTH RACE MEETING

Saturday 10th and Saturday 17th May, 1952

(Held under the Rules of The Hong Kong Jockey Club)

There are 20 races. The First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2.00 p.m. each day. Through Tickets for the 2nd Day, 17th May, 1952, (at \$20.00) may be obtained at the Comptroller's Office of the Club, 1st Floor, Telephone House as well as tickets for the Cash Sweep on the 'Hong Kong Derby' scheduled to be run on 31st May, 1952.

THERE WILL BE NO SPECIAL CASH SWEEP ON THE LAST RACE.

To avoid congestion at the Club's Office at Telephone House, non-members are requested to purchase their sweep tickets at the Club's Branch Offices at—
5, D'Aguiar Street, Hong Kong
or
382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

TOTALISATOR

The attention of Totalisator Investors is drawn to the following rules:—

Dividends will be paid on the winning and placed ponies as declared by the Stewards when the 'All Clear' is given. The 'All Clear' signal will be indicated by a white light at the Totalisator Tower. BACKERS ARE ADVISED NOT TO DESTROY OR THROW AWAY THEIR TICKETS UNTIL AFTER THE 'ALL CLEAR' SIGNAL HAS BEEN EXHIBITED.

Totalisator Tickets should be examined and checked before leaving the Selling Counters as mistakes of any description cannot be rectified later.

Cash received in respect of Dividends should be checked before leaving the Pay-Out Counters as no claim for short payment of the value of tickets presented can be entertained once investors have left the Counters.

All winning tickets and tickets for refunds must be presented for payment at the Race Course on the day to which they refer, but none will be paid later than one hour after the time for which the last race of the day has been scheduled to be run.

In no circumstances will any Dividends be paid or refunds made unless a ticket is produced. Payment WILL NOT be made on torn or disfigured tickets.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and the Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax, for ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary at Telephone House, on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all bills, etc.

Only a limited number of badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will be on sale at the Race Course. The Branch Offices and the Treasurers' Comptroller Office will close at 11.00 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. each day. The Treasurers' Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office are situated at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The Price of admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$3.00 per day including tax for all persons including Ladies, and will be payable at the Club.

BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAC MEN, ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PREMISES OF HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

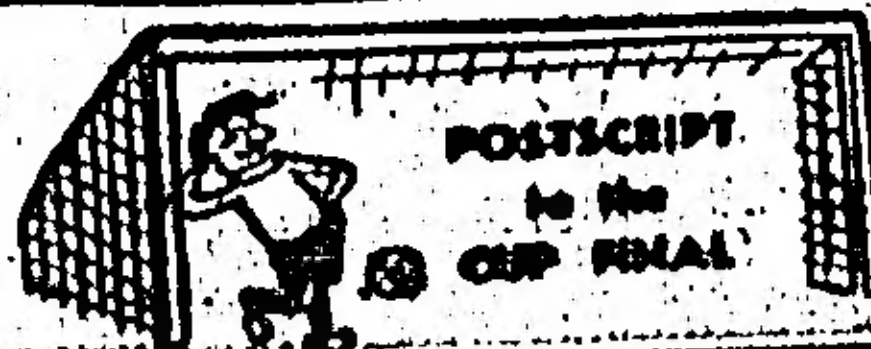
MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure, except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

Due to the congestion in the Members' Betting Hall and at Booths adjacent to Boxes in the Coffee Room, Box-holders and Members are requested to ensure that their servants make use only of the Public Betting Hall. Military Police will be posted at various points in the enclosure to ensure that this regulation is adhered to.

By Order,
H. MISA,
Secretary.



TWO STICKS BESIDE A SEAT IN THE CINEMA

By DESMOND HACKETT

Walley Barnes, the Arsenal right-back crippled out of 60 minutes of football in the Wembley Cup Final (which Newcastle United won 1-0), saw the match he missed in a tiny private cinema in Wardour Street, London.

Barnes played every kick of those lost 60 minutes. His good foot almost booted to pieces the crutches he has to use to support his damaged knee.

When he saw the goal that beat Arsenal six minutes from time, he half-rose in his seat and called out: "Not No. 1 would have been filling that gap. I must have saved that goal."

For Barnes it was an amazing ordeal by pictures. He watched the film as though his Saturday afternoon at Wembley was just beginning. He grinned back at himself as he was pictured striding confidently on to the field, bowed as he saw Mr. Churchill moving towards him.

"Good, good," he muttered as he saw himself make two confident tackles.

It was an incredible experience this taking Barnes to the pictures.

He seemed so shocked when he saw the injury that beat him out of the game send him rolling on the ground, clutching his knee.

UNHAPPY

He was the unhappy reflection of his screen self when he saw himself shake his head sadly at his manager, Tom Whittaker, and limp slowly out of the game.

The rest of the screen match was the toughest football place Barnes has never played.

"That was the Arsenal defence plan at its best," was his tribute when he saw Newcastle star forward Bobby Mitchell beat four



BEFORE THE CINEMA... trainer Billy Milne bandages Barnes's knee.

defenders and find a fifth, Joe Mercer, in the path of his shot. But that Newcastle winner was the one that really hit Barnes. The first he knew of the score on Saturday was when an attendant came into the dressing-room and solemnly said: "They've scored."

PROUD

Barnes said: "No need to ask who had scored—but I never realised the way the goal came. If Don Roper had not been lying injured I do not think the goal would have come."

"Oh! If only I could have been there," he repeated as his ex-haunted teammates, the gallant ten, trailed slowly upfield for the rest.

"I never felt so proud of belonging to Arsenal as I do now. They fought harder and longer than men could be expected to stand up."

(London Express Service)

RESHUFFLE
IN DERBY
BETTING

London, May 12. The defeat of Silnet and La Varenne in France yesterday caused a reshuffle in the betting on the Epsom Derby at the Victoria Club callover here tonight.

Thunderhead, winner of the English 2,000 Guineas, and a Stablemate of Silnet, is now favourite at seven to one with Silnet next best at 17 to two. Three more French horses come next.

M. Marcel Bousac's Argur closed at 10 to one, a cut of 10 points from his quotation at last Thursday's callover. This is probably because Argur's stable companion, Auribon, who is not in the Derby, was the conqueror of Worden II, Silnet and La Varenne who finished in that order behind him in the Prix Hocquart yesterday.

Faunbourg II, owned by M. Francois Dupre, who has not been offered at any of the five previous Derby callovers, is fourth favourite at 100 to six.

This colt, who is due to run in the French 2,000 Guineas at Longchamp next Sunday, was heavily supported tonight and backed to win the £17,000.

Worden II, owned by an American, Ralph B. Strassburger, and who ran best of the Derby entrants yesterday in France, is at 20 to one. Next comes the first English-trained colt in the betting, Mr. Tom Lilley's Titulum, at 22 to one.

THE QUOTATIONS

Prices ruling at the end of the session were:—

7 to 1 Thunderhead II.
17 to 1 Silnet.
10 to 1 Argur.
100 to 1 Faunbourg II.
20 to 1 Worden II.
22 to 1 Titulum.
25 to 1 La Varenne, Torcross and Tulyar.
28 to 1 Gay Time.
33 to 1 Postman's Path, Sumner, Rain, Khor-Mousa, Ararat II and Bob Major.
40 to 1 Speech Maker, Cae-lavrock, Rawson and Mr. Cude.
50 to 1 Penitent and Castleton.
—Reuter.

Jack Solomons
Assured

London, May 12. The London boxing promoter, Jack Solomons, stated that he had received an assurance from the United States that the winner of the world lightweight fight between Joey Maxim and Ray Robinson would meet the winner of the British cruiser-weight championship contest between Randolph Turpin and Don Cockell.

Turpin meets Cockell at the White City, London, on June 10, while Maxim and Robinson meet in New York on June 23.

Meanwhile, Cockell is training at Brighton for a bout with the Italian, Renato Tonini, at Harringay on May 20.—Reuter.

Stirling Moss
In Manx Race

Douglas, Isle Of Man, May 12. Stirling Moss, British Motor Racing Champion, will head an entry of about 30 drivers in the British Empire Trophy 200 miles motor race here on May 29.

Experts predict that it will be the greatest car contest staged in the life of Man in 50 years. The race is for production sports machines fitted with full road equipment and speeds of over 150 miles per hour are expected.

Moss, who won last year's race in a 48-hour race at an average speed of 67.27 miles per hour, will drive a Type-C Jaguar this year.—Reuter.

Route de France
Cycling Race

Bagnieres-de-Luchon, May 12. Jan Nolten (Holland) won today's ninth stage of the Route de France amateur cycling race, completing the 122.5 kilometres from Oloron-Sainte-Marie in 4 hrs. 30 mins. 8 secs.

Second was Jan Adriessens (Belgium) in 4 hrs. 41 mins. 2 secs., and third Georges Aymond (Central France) in 4 hrs. 41 mins. 40 secs.—Reuter.

A HOUSE—RENT FREE

Who wants a house rent free? Bangor City are offering one for a player-manager capable of piloting them in the Cheshire League next season.

England, who earlier in the season transferred that good little 'un, Mervyn Jones, to Liverpool, have two other promising youngsters attracting a great deal of outside attention—Infray Hughes, 17-year-old centre forward, and Seth Edwards, outside right, who is only 20.

Scottish club officials eager to know the whereabouts of Duggie Lockhead, the celebrated wing half-back who managed Norwich City before Norman Low took over, will be interested to hear that he is coaching the Galatasaray club, which is doing well in Turkish football. This should discount rumours that Duggie is in Italy.

Sports Roundabout

Manager Glad He Didn't
Get The Big Job

By W. CAPEL KIRBY & DAVID JACK

How many football managers really manage? We're not asking. That question comes from a Third Division boss who considers he was LUCKY not to have landed a job with a First Division club when he applied.

Interviewed for the post, he was asked exactly what were his duties with his present club. Back came the answer, "I do everything from picking the team to helping the trainer with injuries, and most of the secretarial work."

Perhaps that's why he wasn't given the job because he was told, "If you get this position you realise that we cannot allow you to pick the team. That may be all right in the Third Division but it would never work with a big club."

We think the system works quite well at Old Trafford and Highbury, but perhaps Matt Busby and Tom Whittaker are not with "big" clubs.

If Sunderland want a successor for Trevor Ford, they've no need to travel far or pay a big fee to get him. Bishops' Boys' Club, one of Wearside's leading junior teams, have a centre-forward—Freddie Rodgerston—with 120 goals to his credit this season.

EYES WON'T HAVE IT

Enviously watching George and Ted Robledo performing against Arsenal at Wembley was yet another brother, Walter, who might have been Cup fighting out in the middle but for poor eyesight. "The foolwits there, but the eyes won't have it," explained older brother George.

If 20-year-old Angela Mortimer doesn't reach the top in lawn tennis, it won't be through lack of parental encouragement. When Angela showed promise at school, the whole Mortimer family moved from Plymouth to Torquay so that she could come under the care of professional A. C. Roberts.

We are told that a West Bromwich Albion director has already contacted a Midlands Third Division manager about succeeding Jack Smith as boss at The Hawthorns.

Northern League Soccer champions Bishop Auckland have done a bit of "foot-hunting" this season with six cup wins—Northern League Challenge Cup, Durham County Challenge Cup, Channel Islands Victory Cup, Bishop Auckland Hospital Bowl, Durham Benevolent Bowl and Durham Hospitals Cup.

Even so, they'd gladly forfeit all six for the one Walthamstow won at Wembley.

Jackie Sewell's International come-back—he travels to Italy, Austria and Switzerland with the FA tourists—came as no surprise to Portsmouth manager Bob Jackson.

Attempts Being Made To
Rouse British Lawn Tennis
Out Of The Doldrums

London, May 12. Attempts are being made to rouse Britain's lawn tennis out of the doldrums—especially in men's play.

The progress of Susan Partridge of Staffordshire and Pat Ward, the Surrey girl, has brightened the horizon for at least a worthy challenge to world consideration in women's tennis in the near future, but the outlook is as dismal and as thwarting as ever in regard to Britain's chance of having a young player to make a similar threat in men's tennis.

Some of Britain's junior male players have often aroused hopes with a spectacular tournament victory and then, before the plaudits have scarcely subsided, they take a troubling from one of the "old brigade" and to drive home the lesson more incisively the members of Britain's "old brigade" then crumble up just as disastrously when they are faced by the acknowledged stars of America and Australia.

BASIC FAULT?

Those who have Britain's tennis at heart have already begun to ask if there is not something basically wrong in Britain's approach to the game and world challenge.

They point to the fact that America and Australia seem to have no difficulty in finding and "grooming" young teenagers to maintain the succession of supremacy, while Britain makes no headway.

One significant difference between the young players of America and Australia in comparison with the British juniors is by general agreement the noticeable lack of the "killing" spirit in the British players—even in the British girls.

The British youngsters, both girls and boys, show that they have the strokes—but they show too that when the game is speeded up stroke production loses its rhythm and length and they have none of that fire to "kill" an opponent who may be temporarily lagging and who benefits by the respite to "come again" and turn imminent defeat into a smothered late victory.

Critics are beginning to wonder if there should not be a change in official coaching ideas.

LENGTH CONTROL

Dan Maskell, who has been one of Britain's leading and most popular coaches for years, has never disguised the fact that he attaches major importance to length control and perfect stroke production.

But, argue the critics, what is the use of working for and achieving openings by the orthodox and perfectly produced strokes and then allowing an opponent to "steal" a point? It is more in ruthlessness of scoring winning points than perfection of strokes to nullify their classical efforts.

Only genius can wed perfect stroke production with "killing" speed, but recent years have shown how often players from America and Australia have gained a quite formidable success by a ruthless campaign of taking the battle "into the enemy's camp" with strokes that are not and never could be in the "curriculum."

They concentrate more on "killing" than maintaining a rally full of beautiful rhythmic strokes.—Reuter.

THE GAMBOLS



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SURREY BEAT GLOUCESTER INSIDE TWO DAYS; SUSSEX SHOULD BEAT CHAMPIONS

London, May 12.

Rain-affected wickets, following week-end storms, produced a spate of wickets in today's County cricket matches.

One game, between Surrey and Gloucestershire at the Oval, ended inside two days with a victory for Surrey, while, at Hove, Sussex need only 51 runs with seven wickets standing to beat last season's champions, Warwickshire.

Surrey's victory was well deserved and, after George Emmett and Tom Graveney had fallen to fine catches by Lock, Gloucestershire never looked likely to score the 266 needed to win.

Surrey's slow bowlers did the damage in both innings, Jim Laker having match figures of eight wickets for 81 runs and Tony Lock taking eight wickets for 78 runs. Warwickshire, after taking first innings points from Sussex, lost half their batsmen for 13 runs but gallant batting by Jimmy Ord, Alan Townsend and fast bowler Charlie Groves, retrieved the position and the side reached 166.

FIVE FOR SEVEN

Len Munce, the Glamorgan spinner, playing against his old county at Lord's, dismissed the last five Middlesex batsmen in 7.5 overs for seven runs. The home team, struggling on a greasy topped wicket, had no answer to him and Glamorgan finished the day in the comfortable position of being 312 ahead with four second innings wickets to fall.

George Tribe, former Australian Test bowler, playing in his first County match for Northamptonshire, took a wicket with his first ball and his final figures of five for 48 helped to make Nottinghamshire's follow-on.

Sussex lost five wickets for 87 runs in reply to Derbyshire's 233 but Captain Doug Insole (82) and Ray Smith (50) helped take them within three of their opponents' score.

Yorkshire were top scorers of the day, replying with 345 to Cambridge's 375 for six wickets declared. Len Hutton scored 94 runs and Norman Yardley 88.

Harold Gimblett, who has opened for Somerset since 1935, continued his fine form. On Saturday he hit 168 runs off Worcestershire and at the close today was 88 runs not-out in the second innings.

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES

The following were the close of play scores:
At the Oval—Surrey beat Gloucestershire by 135 runs. Surrey 151 and 205, (Eric Bedford 88), Gloucestershire 91 and 130.

At Lord's—Glamorgan 260 and 140 for six (Walker, 85), Middlesex 123 (Robertson 52, Munce five for seven).

At Chelmsford—Derbyshire 233 and 110 for seven, Essex 230 (Insole 82, Ray Smith 50, Glidwin five for 41).

At Hove—Warwickshire 138 and 116 (Wood four for 40), Sussex 123 (John Langridge 65, Grove four for 42) and 81 for three.

At Manchester—Kent 115 and 29 for three, Lancashire 213 for nine declared. Rain restricted play.

At Nottingham—Northamptonshire 305 for eight declared, Nottinghamshire 138 (Giles 52, Tribe, left-arm slow spin, five for 48) and 131 for four (Hardsall not out 56).

At Worcester—Somerset 850 for nine declared and 153 for five (Gimblett, not out 88), Worcestershire 254 (Bird 61, Dews 59).

At Cambridge—Cambridge University 375 for six declared and 34 for no wicket, Yorkshire 345 (Hutton 94, Subbina-Roy, right-arm leg-break, five for 87).—Reuter.

INDIANS RAINED OUT

Leicester, May 12.

India's cricketers, hailing from a land of sunshine, had yet another galling experience of the English weather, when rain restricted play to little more than an hour on the second day of the match against Leicestershire.

During that time the Indians took their score from 68 for two to 128 for four in reply to Leicestershire's first innings total of 101.

So far the Indians, who are playing their third match, have had only two full days of first class cricket—both at the Oval in the match against Surrey.

Mr P. Cupte, the team manager, summed up the feelings of his players by saying whimsically as he gazed out at the rain-swept pitch: "I marvel at you English. You have weather

like this and yet you still play cricket. If we had—so much rain in India, I think we would have given up the game years ago."

The bowling to date was:
O M R W
Spencer 20 4 42 3
Goodwin 17 2 42 1
Walsh 10 3 16 0
Lester 2 0 7 0
Jackson 4 0 15 0
Byes 2, Leg byes 1, No balls 3.—Reuter.

WARWICK APPEAL

Birmingham, May 11. Within three weeks of a £2,000 appeal being launched by Warwickshire County Cricket Club to increase seating capacity at Edgbaston, commercial firms in Birmingham have responded with donations of £7,000.

The aim is to make Edgbaston a Test match ground and the Club wish to increase seating from 20,000 to 35,000. Already, the Club have asked to be allotted the Test match against South Africa in 1953.

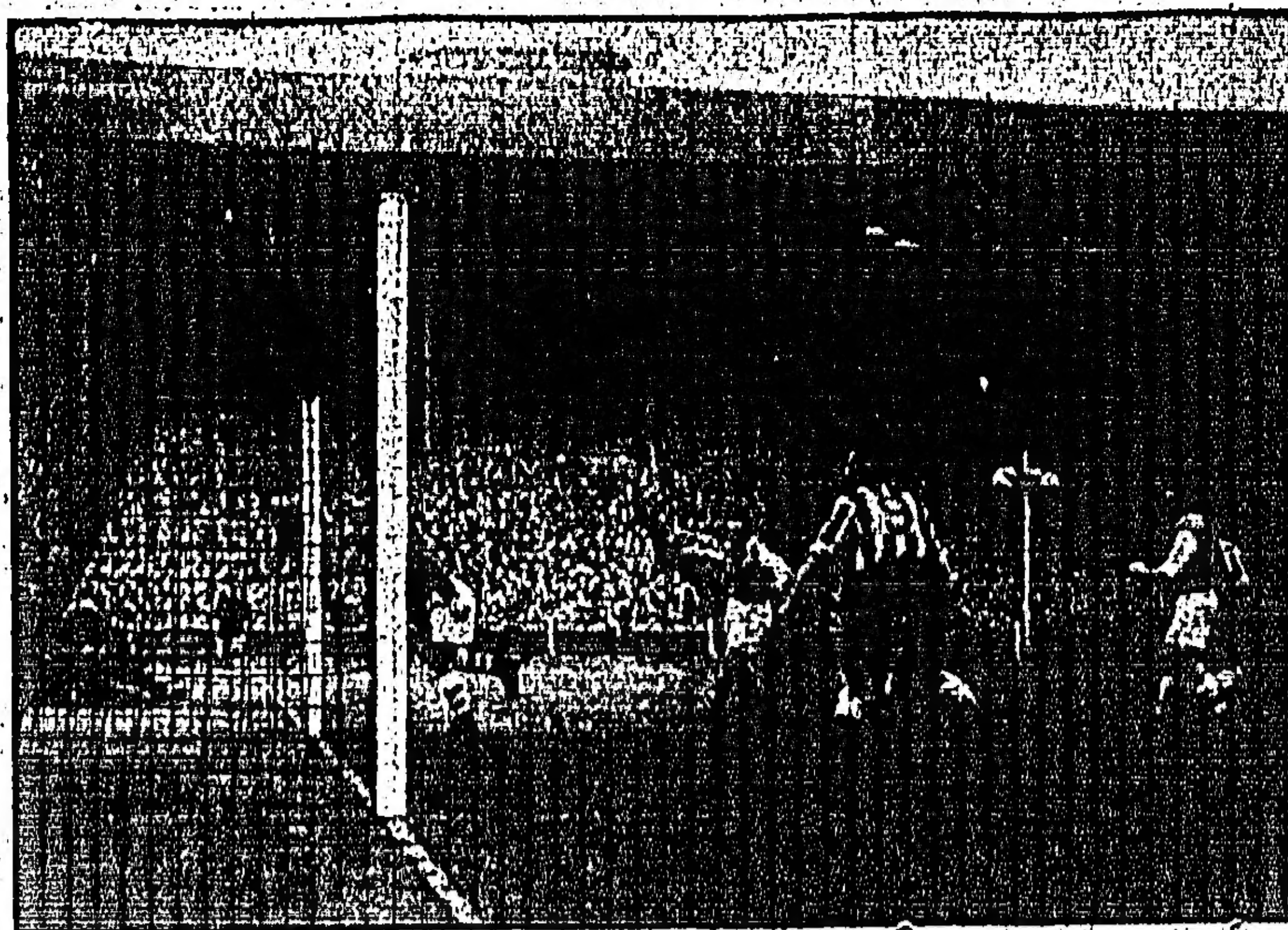
Mr Leslie Denkins, Warwickshire's Secretary, said: "We feel that we have the public of Warwickshire behind us and in fairness to them we should have a chance. Obviously the businessmen of Birmingham share this view. One does not expect immediate results from a financial appeal of this nature and it is most encouraging that we have received so much money within three weeks of the appeal being made." —Reuter.

CANNOT BE SPARED

Worcester, May 12. Worcestershire County Cricket Club have taken the unusual course of notifying the M.C.C. that one of their players chosen by the M.C.C. for the match against the Indian touring team this week-end, cannot be spared.

The County have told the M.C.C. that Roland Jenkins, the leg-spin and googly bowler, is required for their match with Yorkshire which starts at Bradford on the same day.—Reuter.

THE GOAL THAT WON THE CUP



A goal scored by Robledo in the last six minutes of the game gave the FA Cup to Newcastle United for the second year in succession. Arsenal played most of the game with only ten men after Barnes had been injured in the first half.

Photo shows the goal scored by Robledo which won the cup for Newcastle United in the last six minutes of the game. Millburn (Newcastle number 9) watches the shot from Robledo (observed) hit the post and rebound into the net to beat Swindin (Arsenal goalie).

IVAN SHARPE Asks

Who Replaces The Soccer Stars Of Yesteryear?

Who follows Raich Carter and, when they retire, stars like Stanley Matthews and Peter Doherty? Is football filling the gaps? Compare the England team which will set off next week to play Italy, Austria and Switzerland with the side available at the end of the war:

1945: Swift; Scott, Hardwick; Britton, Cullis, Mercer; Matthews, Carter, Lawton, Hagan, Compton (D.).

1952: Merrick; Ramsey, Garrett; Wright, Froggatt, Dickinson; Finney, Broadb, Lofthouse, Pearson, Elliott.

The 1945 team is superior by two or three goals. I don't like the look of these Continental tests. I would be happier if the Manchester United team were representing England. Instead, the League Champions will be in Los Angeles and New York.... nice life.

Football is not replacing the stars, and the worrying thing about it is the explanation given to me by three experienced managers: "The younger end are earning their money too easily. Players in their teens won't

work at the game. In many cases it's a waste of time trying to coach them."

Admittedly the season has revealed a flow of fine young fellows. At full-back, Garrett, of Blackpool, is already playing for England, and McNulty, of Manchester United, may do so next season, while Howie, of Charlton, is a bounding Springbok full of ideas.

At half-back, the great Charles of Leeds United, has not progressed as well as I expected, but this may be due to a surfeit of slack football in the Services. Wheeler, of Bolton, is a find and so is little Deeley, of the Wolves.

Among outside-forwards, Berry, of Manchester United, is in line for the international honours which descended so suddenly on the nine-days wonder, Milton, of Arsenal, and in the inside positions Allchurch, of Swansea, and Hannah, of Newcastle United, are ornaments to the game.

NOT ENOUGH

"Fancy a lovely forward like Hannah being crowded out of the first team. The shortage of players is such that a limit may be fixed on the number of new men over the age of 21 a club is permitted to sign. And, of course, there's Harmer, the captivating forward of the Spurs.

At centre-forward there are Dooley, the match winner of Sheffield Wednesday—forward of the season—Henderson, Portsmouth's mobile Scot, and Holton, Arsenal's six-footer from Oxford.

A satisfactory haul? No. Not from as many as 92 Football League clubs. And these are not all products of last season's play.

HEIN TEN HOFF TO VISIT U.S.

Berlin, May 12. The German Heavyweight boxer, Hein Ten Hoff, announced through his manager, Fred Kirsch, today that he will go to the United States in July following his fight against the European Heavyweight Champion, Heinz Neuhaus.

Kirsch said Ten Hoff would first fight in Chicago and is anxious to meet Rocky Marciano or Bob Mathews to prove he is able to take on Jersey Joe Walcott in a Championship match.—United Press.

INT'L HOCKEY

Bordeaux, May 11. France beat Spain by two goals to nil in an international men's hockey match here today.—Reuter.

How about this Derek Dooley—this young giant of 13st, 4lb, 6ft, 2½in., and size 11 shooting boots, all at the age of 21? Will he maintain this wonderful record of a goal-and-a-half a match in the First Division and so challenge the record of Dean, of Everton?

No man has ever contributed more to a season's triumph. Secrets? Like Matthews, he doesn't look the part and has surprising speed—100 yards in 11 seconds.

IT WORRIES—I QUIT

In a few weeks the strain of modern football has uprooted as many as four First Division managers. George Stephenson (Huddersfield Town), Jack Smith (West Bromwich Albion), William Birrell (Chelsea) and David Jack (Middlesbrough) having all resigned. This isn't surprising. It's a thankless task seeking gems in a mightily-overcrowded market.

Even in the fat years before the war, Peter McWilliam, the first £1,000 a year manager, said to me at Middlesbrough: "In bus, tram, train, theatre, public and private life, one is never free from football and its worries. It's football morning, noon and night. I quit."

Major Frank Buckley, of Leeds United, thinks the player-manager is the chump of the future. Certainly he has practical advantages to being in the middle with the players on match days, demonstrated by Peter Doherty, Raich Carter, Fred Steele and George Hardwick. But the League authorities are worried because, in less scrupulous hands, this close contact with opponents may lead to poaching....

FLIGHT TO ARCADE

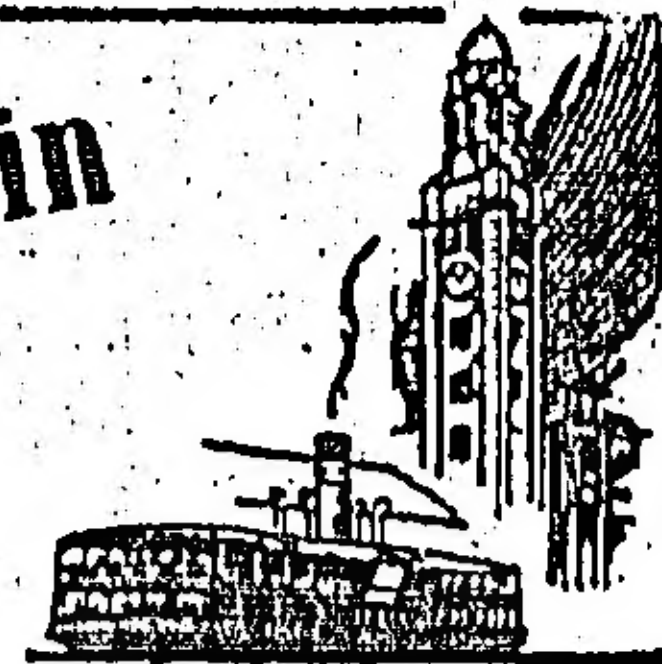
When the representatives of football in England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland assemble next month to discuss law changes they will not meet at Capernwray in the Lake District, Capernwray Castle in Ayrshire, Capel Curig in Caernarvonshire, or Capragh, Co. Monaghan, but in Gracie Fields' territory at Capri.

Before you explode, let me explain that it's the turn of the world body, the FIFA, to hold the meeting, hence the flight to arcade.

There will be settled the fate of the white ball. Wales propose that the ball shall never be changed unless defective. This bans the white ball? I hope not. The idea is to secure uniformity. Wales say: "A home club can put on the white ball when it suits their rearshores against the opposing enthusiasts, i.e., against a slower, tiring team. That's not fair."

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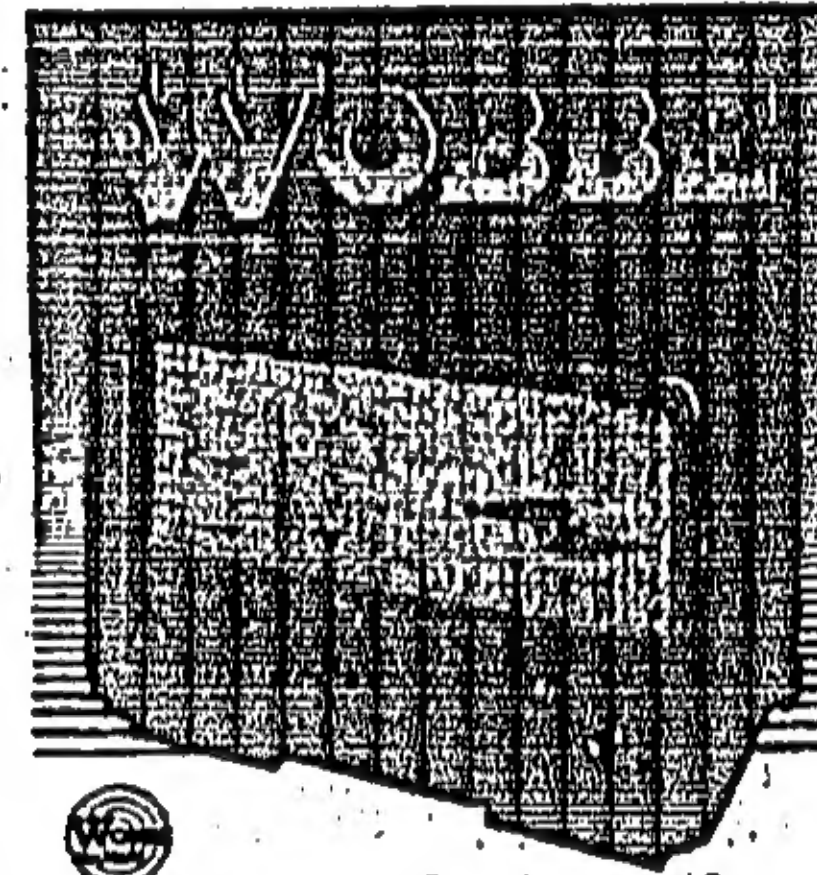
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British Amateur Golf Tournament

St Andrews, May 12. Forty Americans—a record—have entered the British amateur golf championships, the Royal and Ancient Golf Club announced today.
The total field for the six-day tournament, which opens on May 20 at Prestwick, is 282. It includes Dick Hapman who won the title last year and Billy Maxwell, present U.S. amateur champion.—Associated Press.

Annual Int'l Lawn Tennis Tournament

Paris, May 11. The International Tennis Club of Great Britain beat the International Club of France 10-3 in the 33rd Lawn Tennis Tournament between the two clubs here today.

The victory was clinched when the British left-handed player, Hadley Baxter, got an unexpected win over Gilles de Kermadec at the start of the afternoon. Having established a 7-3 lead, the British team could no longer be beaten. Results:
Hadley Baxter beat Gilles de Kermadec 6-1, 6-2. Gerry Oakley beat Jean Duco 6-0 in 1st set, 3-0, 7-5. Jirostov Drobny beat Budgo Faly 6-0, 3-6, 6-3. Drobny and Oakley beat Henri Cochet and Jean Borotra 6-2, 6-1.—Associated Press.

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One woman was killed and about a dozen people injured. The curfew, which lasted from midnight until 5 a.m., has been changed to 8.30 p.m. to 5 a.m. Strong police and military detachments patrolled all possible trouble areas today—the 81st anniversary of the Protectorate Treaty. Nationalists had proclaimed the anniversary a day of mourning to protest against French policy.

Shops in the Arab quarter were closed and Mosques were filled with praying crowds, but no incidents had been reported by early tonight.

(In Paris the French Foreign Office categorically denied rumours that M. Jean de Bie, Consul-General in Tunis, contemplated resigning on grounds of ill-health.)—Reuter.

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Britain & France To Co-operate On Colonial Affairs

London.

Meetings between British and French Colonial authorities for the purpose of promoting a policy of Franco-British co-operation in their overseas territories will take place henceforth at frequent and regular intervals.

This was decided at a two-day conference between Mr. Oliver Lyttelton, Secretary of State for the Colonies, and M. Pflimlin, Minister of Overseas France.

At the conference, Mr. Oliver Lyttelton and M. Pflimlin had a wide exchange of views with particular reference to the position in the British and French territories, the relations between these territories, and the efforts undertaken in the field of administrative and technical co-operation.

Measures to be taken to promote the well-being and progress of the Colonial populations were also discussed.

Commenting on the meeting, The Times writes: "There is everything to be said for the exchange of information between the administering Powers on the measures adopted in territories which not only add to each other, but often sharply divide natural tribal boundaries."

"Intensified co-operation between France and Britain dates from 1945 and is principally in the technical field."

Permanent Body

"That side of the work has been greatly strengthened by the constitution, in 1950 of the Commission for Technical Co-operation in Africa south of the Sahara, to which Belgium, Portugal, South Africa and Southern Rhodesia are also parties."

"A permanent secretariat will, it is likely, be set up soon in London under a French Secretary-General to co-ordinate these technical activities."

The Times concludes by stating that Mr. Lyttelton and M. Pflimlin, by agreeing that Franco-British meetings, at all levels, should take place at more regular and frequent intervals, affirm their intention

Shipments To Britain Inadequate

Ottawa, May 12.

The Commonwealth Co-operative Federation National Executive today charged that the Government's plan to ship 40,000,000 pounds of beef and pork to Britain was inadequate.

It called on the Government to seek long-term arrangements with Great Britain to ensure a permanent market for bacon and dairy products.

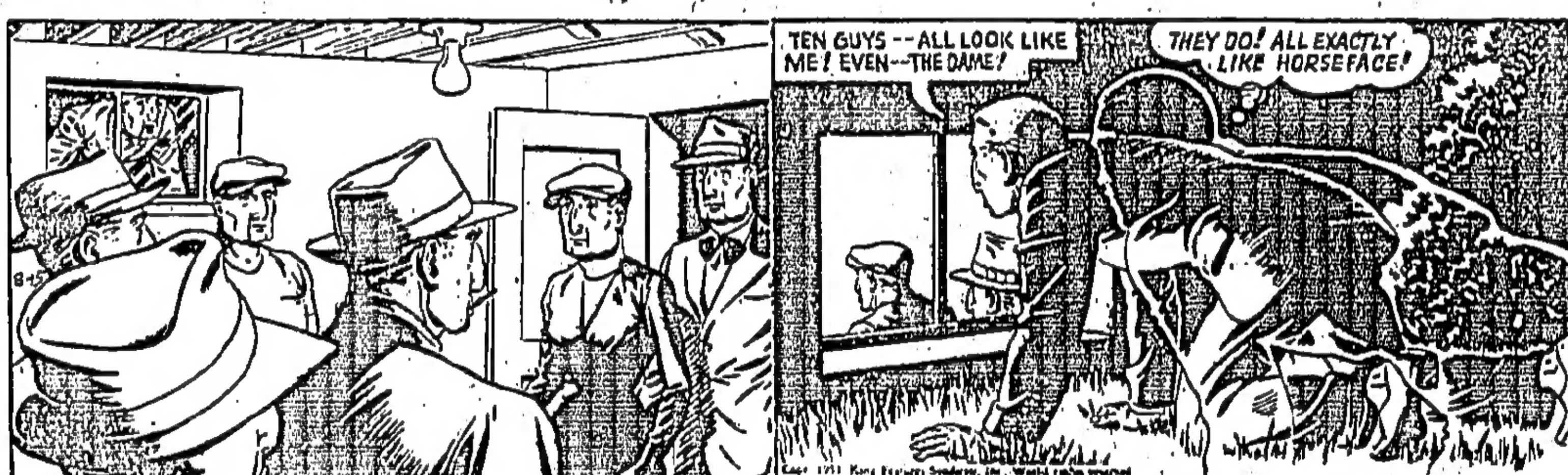
The Government was urged to use its \$200,000,000 price revolving fund to establish an adequate floor price for meat.

The statement said the inadequacy of the deal to send 40,000,000 pounds of beef to Britain is pointed up by the fact that Canada last year exported 100,000,000 pounds of beef and pork to the United States.

"In addition, almost 100,000,000 pounds of beef was exported to the United States last year in the form of live cattle shipments."—United Press.

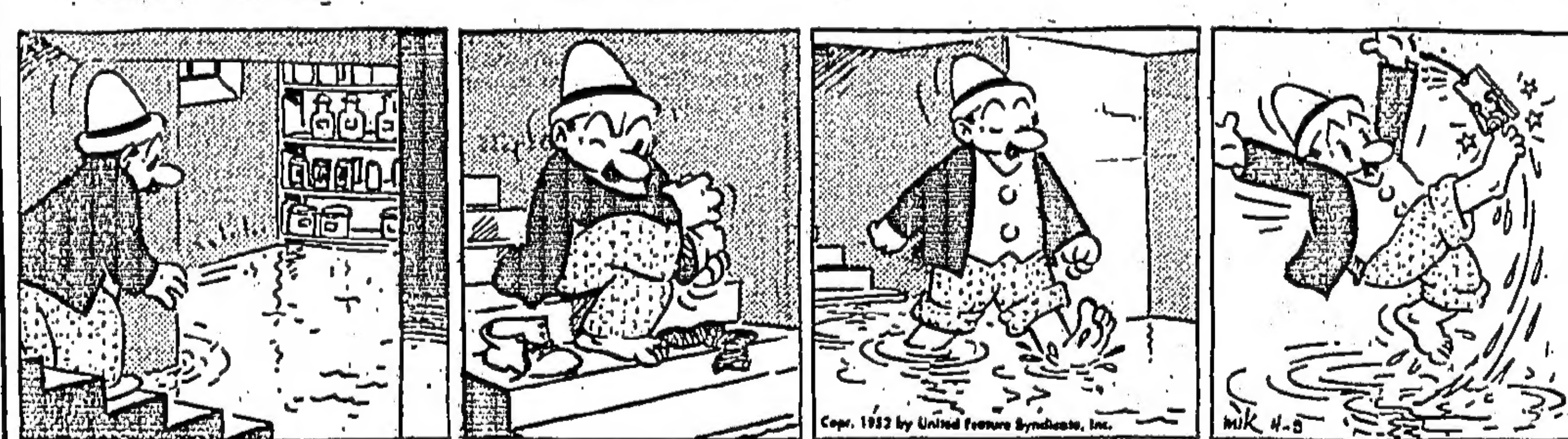
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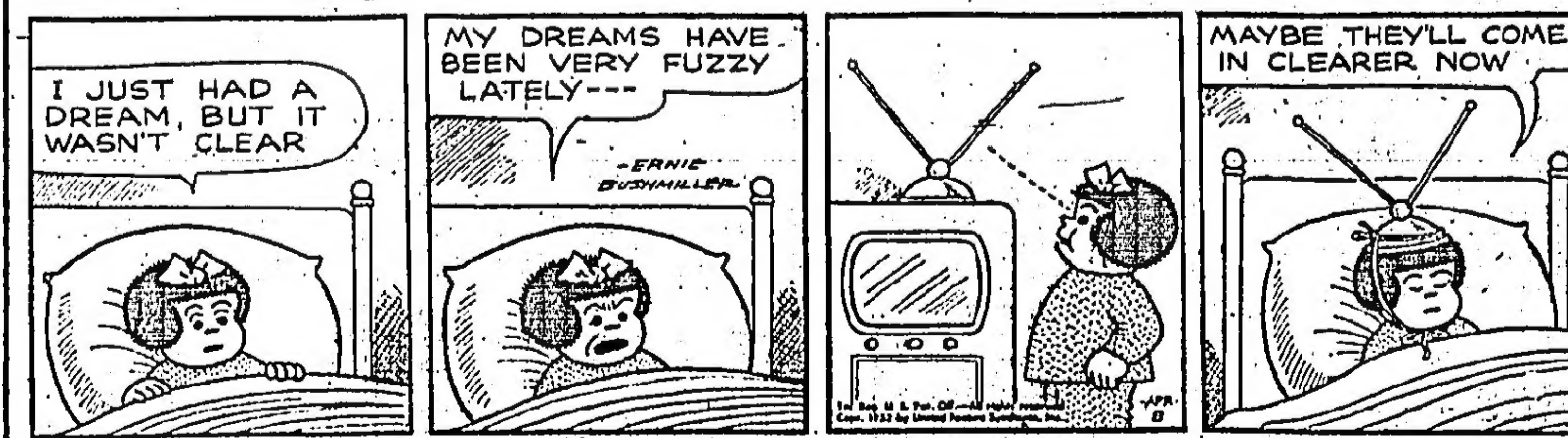
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US Senate Hearings On McCarthy

Washington, May 12.

Senator William Benton hopes that the Senate Sub-Committee will censure Senator Joseph R. McCarthy for past actions if it does not recommend his expulsion from the Senate.

If the Sub-Committee approved the resolution of censure, Senator Benton said today, the voters of Wisconsin "can finish the job of expelling McCarthy from the Senate in the November election."

The Sub-Committee opens public hearings today on Senator McCarthy's resolution that the Senate should expel McCarthy from the Senate.

Senator Benton cited 10 cases in which he said that the Wisconsin Republican practiced "fraud and deceit" on the Senate and public. He urged that Senator McCarthy be expelled from the Senate.

Senator McCarthy was not available for comment. But he has said in the past that Senator Benton's charges were "malicious, untrue and libelous."

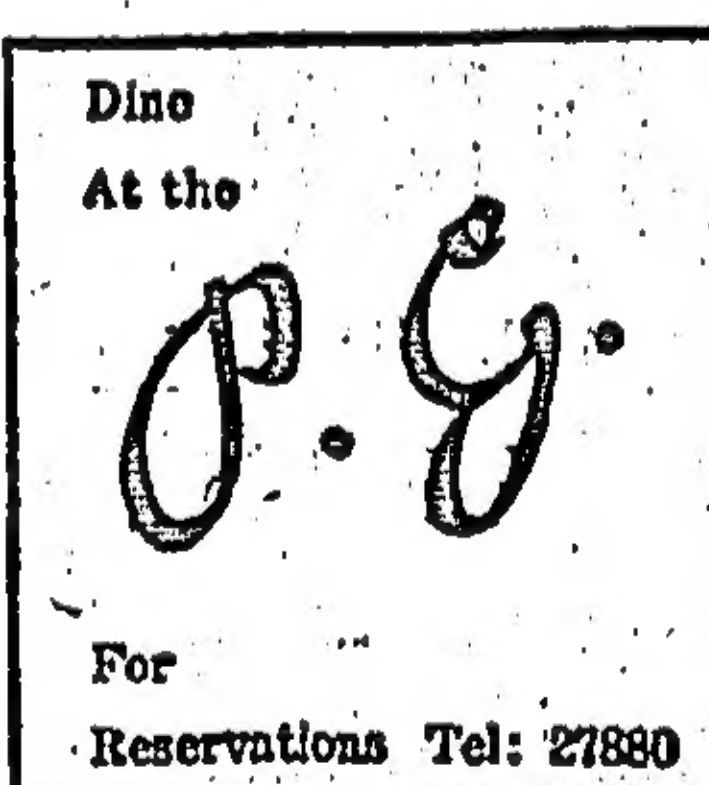
In March Senator McCarthy filed a \$2,000,000 libel suit against Senator Benton after the Connecticut Democrat had waived his Congressional immunity. He also countered with a resolution demanding an investigation of Senator Benton by the Elections group—United Press.

SHIPS HELD UP IN KARACHI

Karachi, May 12.

Nineteen ships were held up here today by a strike of 4,000 dockers for more money, shorter hours, bonuses, and a registration scheme for casual workers.

The dockers' claim that 16 union demands have been pending for two years without action. The strike began in a small way on Saturday—Reuter.



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"BIR HAKEIM" June 10	June 22	Japan
		Homeward For
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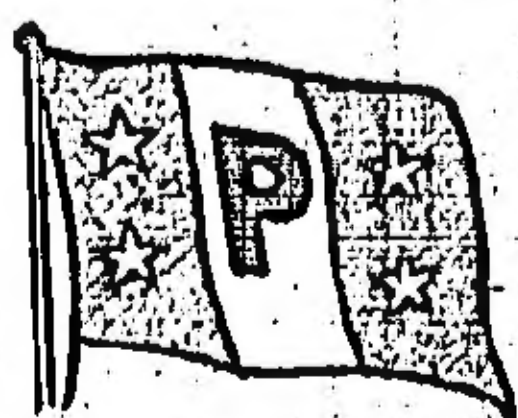
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LANCASHIRE REACHES A TURNING POINT IN ITS HISTORY

(By RONALD BOXALL)

London.

Crises are nothing new to the 200-year-old Lancashire cotton industry. They have been met and overcome often enough in the past. But though most people in Lancashire still insist that the situation confronting them today is a serious recession, and not a slump, the fact is that the industry has reached a turning point in its history.

It is four years since the industry last experienced a crisis in its affairs. But its problem then was one arising out of conditions of unprecedented prosperity.

World demand for cotton textiles was expanding much faster than Lancashire could increase its production. Ready markets existed for every yard of cloth that could be produced. Conditions everywhere were in favour of the seller, and prices soared.

But in spite of this, Lancashire was producing to nothing like its full capacity. The limiting factor was the size of the industry's labour force.

During the war the cotton industry had been concentrated into two-thirds of its pre-war size. Export markets disappeared, and production for the home market was severely restricted. Thousands of cotton operatives left the industry to join the Forces; others sought higher pay in war factories.

When the war ended, Lancashire was faced with the task of rehabilitating the factories which had been closed down through "concentration" and rebuilding its depleted labour force. For nearly six years the world had been deprived of textiles, and consumer stocks had fallen to nil. Conditions were ripe for a sellers' market.

But Lancashire was not only looking for quick and easy profits. It had a patriotic duty, too, and this was not neglected. The nation needed to rebuild its reserves of foreign currency, and to do that it depended heavily on its largest exporting industry.

In 1948, the year of the "export crisis," Lancashire redoubled its efforts to expand production. Publicity campaigns, called "Cotton Weeks," were held in towns throughout Lancashire. Local patriotism was aroused by such stirring slogans as "The Nation's Bread Hangs by a Lancashire Thread."

THE ZENITH

These campaigns were designed chiefly to attract labour to the industry, and succeeded beyond the most optimistic hopes. Thousands of workers joined the industry, and production fairly leapt ahead. So did cotton exports. Between 1948 and 1949 exports of cotton yarn increased by about 30 per cent and exports of cotton cloth by nearly 18 per cent. The sellers' market had reached its zenith.

However, by 1950, the first signs of a general world recession became noticeable. The cotton industry set itself to face a gradual decline in demand. But then something totally unexpected happened. War broke out in Korea. Almost at once, a jittery world set out on a hectic buying spree. The recession had been postponed—but only to return later with even greater verity.

Meanwhile, Lancashire was enjoying itself. Workers, with more money in their pockets than ever before, came to regard their new prosperity as a permanent part of their lives. Cotton operatives could now afford new clothes, new furniture, new everything. Television sets began to appear on the roofs of smoke-blackened cottages in a score of "cotton towns." Cinemas and public houses shared in this prosperity, and for the first time working-class families could afford to take a holiday.

Lancashire had come a long way since the war and even farther since the inter-war slumps. By a steep precipice awaited it a new way. When the cotton industry fell, it had all the farther to fall for its rapid ascent.

QUITE SIMPLE

Its dizzy descent has left Lancashire hurt and bewildered. The industry's 350,000 operatives have only just begun to grasp the true significance of the present situation. The question one hears most often is: "What happened?" To some, however, the answer is only too clear.

What did, in fact, happen can be described quite simply. In 1948, Lancashire's exports of cotton yarn amounted to 40 million lbs. and earned 18½ million lbs. Its exports of cotton cloth in the same year amounted to over 765 million yards, valued at nearly £30 million. But in 1951, 65 million lbs. of yarn exports earned nearly £12 million, and cloth exports, amounting to 850 million yards, brought in no less than £19½ million.

Cotton prices started to rise steeply after the outbreak of war in Korea. The peak was reached in April of last year, after which prices entered a gradual decline. But Lancashire was cushioned from the effects of this comparatively mild recession by the length of its order books. Mills had anything between six months' to a year's backlog of orders to fill.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business on the Stock Exchange this morning was valued at \$100,747.50. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
HK Bank	140	17	158
HSBC	140	17	158
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BASIC TROUBLE

But though this temporary loss of valuable export markets presents a major problem for Lancashire, the basic trouble is still a lack of consumer demand at home. Before the war, 80 per cent of Lancashire's production of cotton goods was exported, and only 20 per cent was consumed at home. Three-quarters of Lancashire's output is now sold on the home market; only a quarter goes overseas.

If the problem was entirely one of a contraction in export markets, one way to therefore expect to see Lancashire sell three-quarters of its output. But the fact is that new orders are practically nonexistent. Even on the present restricted basis, a good deal of current output goes to swell the large stocks already held at every level of production.

Lancashire sees its main problem quite clearly. It is to clear this congestion in the "pipeline."

Many members of the industry believe that if stocks can once be induced to flow again—if, in other words, the buyers' strike can be broken—their worries will be at an end.

But there are others who regard the present crisis as a clear indication that Lancashire has seen the last of its recent prosperity for many years to come. The industry, they say, must reorganise itself along more efficient lines, and be prepared to fight every inch of the road to survival.

Most ominous of all, however, is the view I heard expressed by some of the industry's leaders. It is that the present cotton recession may be the forerunner of a wider and more serious trade depression that will affect the whole country. The growing suspicion that the slump may spread, is expressed with grim humour in the slight twist that has been given to the industry's 1948 slogan. It now reads "Lancashire's Dread is to have no Bread."

(Tomorrow: Lancashire's Post-war Boom)

LONDON TIN MARKET

London, May 12.

The tin market was easier, with a turnover of 140 tons, of which 10 tons were for cash. Prices closed at the end of the official morning session as follows:

Spot tin buyers 100 1/2
Spot tin sellers 100 1/2
Three-month tin buyers 100 1/2
Three-month tin sellers 100 1/2
Southeastern 100 1/2
United Press.

Foreign Exchanges In NY

Country	New York	May 12
Canada	US\$1.01	7/16
England	US\$1.01	1/16
Holland	US\$1.01	1/16
Australia	US\$1.01	1/16
South Africa	US\$1.01	1/16
Belgium	US\$1.01	1/16
Denmark	US\$1.01	1/16
France	US\$1.01	1/16
Germany	US\$1.01	1/16
Italy	US\$1.01	1/16
Norway	US\$1.01	1/16
Sweden	US\$1.01	1/16
Switzerland	US\$1.01	1/16
Japan	US\$1.01	1/16

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:

U.S. dollar (per \$1)	6.5075
Sterling note (per £1)	15.70
Indonesian guilders (per 100)	1.22
Siam ticals (per 100)	25.30
Singapore (Straits) (per 100)	1.75
PTC piastres (per 100)	12.75

Silver Price Down

Silver prices were reduced in London today by a farthing. Both spot and forward prices were quoted at 75-3/4d per fine ounce. United Press.

S'pore Dollar Lower

The rate for the Singapore dollar has eased to 2/6-15/100 to 2/4-1/100, compared with the previous rate of 2/4-1/100 to 2/4-3/100. United Press.

Copra Quotation

New York, May 12.

Copra was quoted today at \$120 per short ton, nominal. Coconut oil was quoted at 84 cents a pound, asked. United Press.

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"TIWANGI" June 4	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar
"TEGELBERG" June 8	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar
"TIJODAS" June 10	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar
"EASTWAY" June 12	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar
"THILUWAI" June 14	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar
"TABMAN" June 21	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar
"THILUWAI" June 23	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar
"TIWANGI" July 7	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar
"TIJODAS" July 10	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar
"RUYS" July 15	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar
"TIWANGI" July 18	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar
"EASTWAY" July 21	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar
"THILUWAI" Aug. 2	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar
"TIJODAS" Aug. 5	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar
"THILUWAI" Aug. 10	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar
"TIWANGI" Aug. 15	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar
"TIJODAS" Aug. 20	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar
"THILUWAI" Sept. 2	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya, Macassar

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From	Arrives
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"TIKAMPER" May 20	May 20
"RUYS" May 25	May 25
"TIWANGI" May 28	May 28
"TABMAN" May 31	May 31

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Author's Slow Ship To Hongkong

"Slow Ship to Hongkong" by Leonard Crocombe, Publishers, Edward Stanford Ltd., London. 125 net 200 pages, 30 photographs and 4 maps.

Call it what you like, but viewed from the vantage of an impartial reader, one is still entitled to describe "Slow Ship to Hongkong" as a deck-chair diary, compiled from the author's letters to his daughter.

The author, with an aptitude for detail and local colour, writes 20 informative chapters in a casual, dispassionate, reflective style which makes pleasurable and easy making. One can, without moving a limb, enjoy the balmy air of "Sunny Italy," experience the eerie silence of a Swettenham jungle, rest in the dimly palm court at Raffles Hotel of Singapore and drink in the sheer beauty of a Hongkong night.

Leonard Crocombe is the author of two other travel books: "An Editor Goes West" and "A Holiday Note-book." He was one-time editor of Radio Times, the BBC official journal and versatile contributor to some British and American journals. This is an account of his six-month voyage from London to the Far East in a cargo boat, after World War II. He called at Genoa, Port Said, Colombo, Penang and Singapore.

With the eye of an historian he faithfully records the passage through the Suez Canal, the streets of Colombo whose shops are sparkling with lovely silver jewellery and meeting native-clad Sinhalese at Pettah where most local traders transact their business. The slimy swamps of the Swettenham jungle, the peculiar honking fish heard at afternoon on flood tides, the exploration of the Klang River are all delightfully recalled. Singapore leaves him the happy impression of any tropical night life.

ABOUT HONGKONG
Interesting too is the way he looks at our Hongkong and Kowloon (to which he devotes three chapters) missing nothing of the splendour of the harbour, dotted with "mahogany" brown junks, the beautiful sunset "like a sprinkle of golden powder poured to the glass-like sea" and the typical crowded ferry boats.

The fairy-like be-spangled picture of Hongkong by night, lit with myriad coloured lights has not escaped his notice, nor the fact that "it is quite the thing to live up the Peak." The standard of driving and system of traffic lights, he points out, could be improved. One cannot avoid the feeling, however, that he devotes a chapter too many on people he meets such as "My Confidential Secretary," "More About My Confidential Secretary," "My Aunt A. Card," "My Aunt A. Card," "My Aunt A. Card," "My Chinese God-daughter," forgetting as he does that there is hardly any common ground of interest between them and the reader. — Irene.

Postal Union Congress

Brussels, May 13.

Hongkong will be represented at the 13th Congress of the 77-year-old World Postal Union which opens here tomorrow. New international postal regulations, including a possible proposal for the abolition of extra postage on air mail, will be discussed at the Congress at which Hongkong will be represented for the first time. The session will last seven weeks. During it the world's highest post officials and hand-picked experts will discuss some 1450 new proposals and suggestions aimed at the improvement of international postal communications. They will meet within the walls of the lovely 18th century Egmont Palace which is being converted with light-green prefabricated panels into dozens of small but bright offices inside the stately ballrooms and heavily gilded salons. — Reuter.

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Honeymoon Couple Still Missing

Darwin, May 12.
Search planes swept the Timor Sea and coastal areas from daylight to dark today but found no trace of a single-engine Proctor plane which has been missing since yesterday with a honeymoon couple on board.

The couple, test pilot Captain Martin Cherry, 26, and his English bride, Myrtle, who is 23, married last month. They are on their way from England to Australia. The Timor Sea hop was described as a "suicide flight" today by a leading Australian civil aviation official. — Reuter.

Soviets Arrest Grimsby Trawler

Grimsby, May 12.
Soviet vessels have arrested the Grimsby trawler Valada (300 tons) and she was last seen steaming eastwards under escort. It was learned here tonight.

Its owners said they had received a message that she was fishing four miles northeast of Veld Bay, north Russia, when a party from a Russian patrol vessel boarded her. — Reuter.

Miss Jane McNeill, daughter of Mr John McNeill, QC, of Hongkong, who recently returned to London after spending a holiday in the Colony, caught by the camera at the Red Hat Ball chatting with Douglas Fairbanks. — London Express photo.

Yoshida's Envoy Here

It is the wish of the Japanese people to co-operate with the leaders of the Southeast Asia countries in political and economic matters, said Mr Taketora Ogata, personal representative of the Japanese premier, Mr Shigeru Yoshida, when he arrived here by North West Air Line plane from Taipei this morning.

In a Press conference in the VIP Room at the airport, Mr Ogata said that his tour to South-East Asia countries was a very important one.

Mr Ogata would not disclose the subject of discussion which he had had with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek but added that it was to help to thwart the invasion of Taiwan. Mr Ogata said that it is hoped that a Japanese Consulate will be opened in the Colony in the very near future. He said no arrangements have been made to meet any Government officials in Hongkong. His visit here is to study the development in Hongkong of political and economic affairs.

Man's Mania For Smashing Street Gas Lamps

A 33-year-old Chinese sailor retained by B & S stood quietly smiling in the dock at Central this morning while the Court mused over his sanity. "There must be a kink somewhere," remarked Insp. Macdonald.

He told the Magistrate, Mr Y. H. Poon, of Wong Chi-lin's mania for smashing street gas lamps. Wong had confessed that on April 20 he had picked up some stones near the Tai Ping Theatre in Queen's Road West and went along the street aiming at the lamps. He smashed four of them.

The case of the broken lamps remained a mystery until last Saturday night when Wong was caught in the same vicinity, pelting another lamp with stones. He was taken to the Mental Home for observation but was released two days later when no definite signs of insanity were found.

Wong had explained to the Police that the smashing of street lamps eased the "irritation" in his heart. Insp. Macdonald said that the accused had served on ships plying between Liverpool and Hongkong and was retained at present with no work on \$180 a month. The total damage to the five gas lamps which belonged to the Hongkong and China Gas Company amounted to \$75.

Wong stated that he had no friends who could put up a bond for him. He was paid every week. The Magistrate remanded him for a day in custody.

Radio Hongkong

6.00. Programme Summary: 6.00. Popular Variety: 6.30. Cantonese by Radio given by Miss Lee Wan Lan and Miss Lee Yuet-shing. 6.50. Variety and Music (Piano Duo): 7.00. Musical Selections: 7.30. "Down Memory Lane" presented by Aileen Woods (Studio): 7.50. Weather Report: 8.00. Time Signal. World News and News Talk (London Relay): 8.15. A Short Recital by Yehudi Menuhin (Violin): 8.30. Wilfred Pickles in "Hive a Gold" (BBC). A Quiz Programme presented by Barney Coleham: 8.45. Light Music and Song: 9.30. Musical note-book presented by The Rev. Father T. F. Ryan, S.J. (Studio): 10. "At the Ballet": 10.30. Song and Dance in Britain: A Programme from Scotland (BBC): 11. Radio News: Real (London Relay): 11.15. Goodnight Music: 11.30. Weather Report: Good Save The Queen: 11.30. Close Down.

Carried Excess Passengers

Yip Kai-ling, 61, manager of trading junk 31403, was fined \$50 by Mr T. B. Low at the Marine Court this morning for carrying excess passengers. Intercepted outside Lymanville, en route to Tin Ha Wan Village, Junk Bay, Yip was found to have eight persons aboard, three more than he was permitted to carry. The Magistrate said he regarded the carrying of excess passengers outside the harbour as a serious offence.

Gambling School Raid

A Police raid at No. 10 Wang Fung Terrace, ground floor, Tai Hang Road, shortly after midnight on a warrant under the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance, resulted in the uncovering of a gambling establishment in a rear room.

Seventeen persons were arrested, and the sum of \$9,977 was seized in addition to decks of playing cards, dice and counters. Brought before Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central later this morning, Pang Kam, 43, admitted being the keeper of the gambling house and was fined \$750 or three months. Yim So, 30, Chan Hung, 42, and Wong Kau, 27, who pleaded guilty to gambling but claimed they had originally gone to visit friends in the house, were cautioned and discharged.

Chan Sing, 40, and Chan Wah, 45, were each fined \$50 when they said they had lost heavily while gambling. Three others failed to appear in Court and had their bail of \$250 forfeited. The rest were fined \$75 or two weeks. On the application of Det. Sub-Inspector J. F. Gale, the money seized was ordered to be confiscated to the poor box. The gambling equipment was also ordered to be confiscated.

Snatch Thief Well Caught

Lau sul-loong, 33-year-old coolie, was sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment by Mr Thomas Tam at Central this morning for snatching a jade bangle from the hand of a two-year-old baby.

The Magistrate highly commended Lau Shiu-keung, a Police constable 707 who was off duty and in plain clothes was walking along Shing's Road West when near the Ke Shing Theatre he saw defendant pull off a jade bangle from the hand of a baby who was being carried in his mother's arms. The Police officer caught hold of defendant in whose right pocket was found the bangle.

Police records revealed defendant had two previous convictions.

Exercise Books Used To Record Dealings In Gold Bars

At the resumed public examination of Leung Chiu-kai, debtor, a partner of the Sun On Hao (firm) of No. 215 Wing Lok Street, at the Bankruptcy Court this morning before the Chief Justice, Sir Gerard Howe, the debtor admitted that for the most important branch of his business, namely, gold bars, he used two small exercise books and did not make such entries in the ordinary bound volumes.

Leung was replying to questions put by Mr M. A. de Silva, who is representing the Trustee (Mr J. B. P. Byrne).

His Lordship said that the irresistible inference in using exercise books was that they could be destroyed should anything arise. Leung said that he did not entertain such an idea.

Mr Silva said that a second inference was that the two books were written up after June 14 last year, when the business closed down, in order to account for some 3,000 taels of gold or its Hongkong-dollar equivalent.

When Mr Silva put this to the witness he replied, "No."

"NOT TRUE" Mr Silva also told witness, "It is my direct suggestion to you Mr Leung, that those books contain a lot of fictitious entries of money which you drew out knowing the game was up on June 14."

Witness: No, not true. Earlier, Mr Silva questioned the debtor about payments out of over \$2 million between June 1 and 14 last year and asked on whom authorisation these were made.

Witness: Such payments could be made without authority from me if such customers had money with us. Mr Silva: I am not asking a hypothetical question, Mr Leung. I am asking a factual question as to whether the payments were made with your authorisation.

Witness: My authority with regard to those payments was this, that if the customers had any money with us it was paid. Mr Silva: Please answer my question. Did you authorise the payments out of two million dollars during those fourteen days?

Witness replied in similar vein. Mr Silva: Do you seriously suggest that with the difficult position you were then in you allowed your folks a free hand to pay out without your specific authorisation in each case?

Witness: I had been carrying on my business in the same manner all through. I did not feel any difficulty. Had it not been for the incident of June 14 I would have carried on my business likewise.

GENERAL AUTHORITY

Mr Silva: Do you then say that this two million dollars was paid out without specific reference to you on the general authority given to the folks by you?

Witness: Such payments were made under general authority I gave to my folks but not by special authority. Leung Chiu-kai was authorised to do so. Asked if he could arrange for Leung Chiu-kai (debtor's uncle) to come to Hongkong, witness replied he could do so.

Mr Silva then turned to the account of Tung Koon-man, a partner. The account had been carried on for three years on the basis of Tung owing 780 taels of gold to the bank.

Mr Silva: On June 12 you took out a sum of \$239,080 and bought gold to transfer the debt into Hongkong dollars. — Yes. You needed the gold to make deliveries on other gold bar accounts? — Yes.

On the same day, June 12, there was a debt of \$29,040.47 against Tung Koon-man. — Yes. Referring to the gold bar accounts kept in exercise books, Mr Silva asked witness if he would admit quite frankly that he was cheating the Inland Revenue Department by not reporting to them.

Witness denied this, and said that what was written in the books was gold bars and nothing in Hongkong dollars.

Living Language

Why we say Regatta.

This un-English name for a race-meeting in which yachts compete is in fact of Italian origin and in that language means a struggle. The first "regattas" were always between gondolas in Venice.

Mail Notices

Latest times of posting of un-registered correspondence at the General Post Office and Kowloon Post Office; the latest times of posting for registered articles are generally one hour earlier than the times indicated below. Particulars regarding parcel mails may be obtained by enquiry at any Post Office.

TUESDAY, MAY 13

By Air: Malaya, Ceylon, W. Pakistan, Bahrain, Great Britain, Europe, 5 p.m.; B.O.A.C. Japan, 5 p.m.; C.A.T. Formosa, 5 p.m.; U.S.A. Canada, 5 p.m.; N.W.A.L. By Surface: Macao, 1 p.m.; 6 p.m.; as Lee Hong/Tak Shing.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

By Air: Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 9 a.m.; Via P.A.L. Formosa, 11 a.m.; C.A.T. Japan, 11 a.m.; W. Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 5 p.m.; B.O.A.C. Australia, New Zealand, Burma, 5 p.m.; C.P.A. Japan, Korea, 5 p.m.; B.O.A.C. Formosa, 5 p.m.; H.K. Airways, By Surface: Macao, 1 p.m.; 6 p.m.; as Lee Hong/Tak Shing.

THURSDAY, MAY 15

By Air: China, People's Republic, 9.30 a.m.; train via Canton. Formosa, 9 a.m.; as Wing Sang. Japan, Korea, 5 p.m.; as Laita Pattison. Japan, 3 p.m.; as Shansi.

By Air: Siam, E. & S. Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 5 p.m.; Via B.O.A.C. Indo-China, France, French North & West Africa, 5 p.m.; Air France, Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., Neen, P.A.A. By Surface: Macao, 1 p.m.; 6 p.m.; as Lee Hong/Tak Shing.

FRIDAY, MAY 16

By Air: Siam, E. & S. Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 5 p.m.; Via B.O.A.C. Indo-China, France, French North & West Africa, 5 p.m.; as Benelli. Japan, Canada, U.S.A., 9 a.m.; via C.P.A.L. Burma, India, 9 a.m.; Thai Airways. Formosa, Japan, 3 p.m.; C.A.T. Formosa, Okinawa, 5 p.m.; H.K.A./N.W.A.L. Siam, Burma, India, W. Pakistan, Europe, 5 p.m.; B.O.A.C. N. Korea, Australia, New Zealand, 5 p.m.; Q.E.A. Malaya, Indonesia, Ceylon, W. Pakistan, 5 p.m.; B.O.A.C.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Maybe I ought to go in alone to price the house—you look like a lot of dough in that new fur coat!"

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